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Election threat angers Tories

Retreat or you risk defeat, Major warned

AND NICHOLAS WOOD

THE government was last night considering a significant new retreat over Maastricht after a warning to John Major from senior Conservative MPs that he should back away from a confrontation or risk defeat.

Leaders of the backbench '92 group, the parliamentary party's largest internal faction. urged the prime minister after a sombre meeting last night to hold next week's Commons treaty debate on a technical motion that would enable him to avoid a direct clash with his backbenchers. Government sources confirmed that minis-ters were considering such an option and that the cabinet might adopt it on Thursday.

There was deep irritation among Tory MPs and ministers yesterday that Mr Major had raised the stakes so high by allowing the success of the treaty ratification process to be seen as an issue on which he

British Steel cuts output by 20%

By Ross Tieman

MANY of British Steel's 42,000 workers are to be put on short-term working until the end of the year. Production will be cut by a fifth in response to a worldwide slump in steel demand.

The company plans to review production again in December "in the light of market conditions prevailing at the time". All four of the firm's integrated steel plants, at Teesside. Scunthorpe, Port Talbot and Llanwern, will be affected.

Unions were enraged that British Steel announced the production cut without telling them first. John Weakley, chief steel negotiator for the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union. said: "British Steel is the leanest and fittest steel company in Europe, if not the world. This decision has come as a complete surprise, but underlines the gravity of the slump in manufacturing

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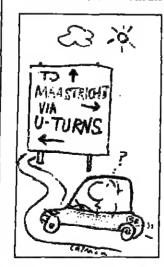
With eight days to go before the key Commons vote, Tory party managers are searching for a way out of the Maastricht mire. But they may have to act quickly as irritation grows among MPs

might call a general election. But he refused to drop the threat last night.

However, it was evident that senior ministers are considering a compromise to get him through his immediate difficulty, the real prospect of defeat next week on the socalled "paving" debate.

Sir George Gardiner, chair-man of the rightwing '92 group, which claims a membership of 110 MPs, saw the chief whip, Richard Ryder, after last night's meeting in a Commons committee room to tell him that the government should abandon its plan to stage next week's debate on the principles of Maastricht. He urged instead a "soft" adjournment motion which. because it would inevitably be seen as a confidence vote,

ernment off the hook. But even this escape route was looking hazardous last night. Labour emphasised that it would vote against the adjournment motion purely because it would be asking MPs to voice confidence in the



overnment and the Liberal Democrats also made it plain they would vote against for the same reason. John Cunningham, the shadow foreign secretary, said it was wrong to go ahead with the debate while the Danes had not decided how to reverse their referendum vote against the treaty.

Senior ministers voiced deep disquiet yesterday that Mr Major had allowed himself to be boxed in by weekend briefings suggesting that he would go to the country if he lost the Maastricht bill. One described the warning as "silly and petulant" and another

THE QUEEN last night at-

tended a grand pageant to celebrate the fortieth anniver-

sary of her accession to the

throne. The cast of 5,000 who

paid her homage included

many names from the worlds

of opera, theatre, ballet, music

Cilla Black, Dame Vera

Cup soccer team, Christopher

Chataway and Henry Cooper.

One moment, the stage of

and sport.

Cast of 5,000 celebrates

Queen's 40th anniversary

BY TIM JONES

would not be allowed to put into effect. One senior Tory described it as blackmail. Sir George gave Mr Major an open warning that he might be the chief casualty of the party's disarray over Europe. He said: "John Major must be warned that those urging him to stake his leadership on Maastricht may have an eye

on the leadership themselves." Sir George's words were a reflection of Conservative backbench anxiety that the cabinet is increasingly out of step with the parliamentary party over Europe.

Downing Street sources repeatedly declined the opportunity yesterday to deny that Mr Major intended the threat to be taken seriously. They emphasised instead that Mr Major expected to win and did not want people to speculate the event that he did not However, they added that Mr Major saw ratification of Maastricht as "absolutely essential to maintaining a sensi-

ble foreign policy". Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, gave a warning of the "dire consequences" for Britain if MPs "wrecked or appeared to wreck" the treaty. He also declined to kill the election threat, telling a Com-mons committee: I don't intend to add speculation to speculation but I think everyone is clear that it is a central part of the government's pro-gramme and will be presented

Sir Norman Fowler, the Conservative party chiarman. came closest to confirmly publicly that it was real. He told rebel MPs they were "playing with fire" by opposing the government. It was naive of the rebels to think they could halt the Maastricht bill one day and then support the government in a vote of confidence the next as if it were all "hunky-dory". He declared: "We are talking about Maastricht now, but there could be other issues where the government was defeated. Is there going to a vote of confidence after each of these? You only have to think it through to see how impossible it would be."

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transformed to a map of the

Commonwealth, with motor-

ised stages and orchestra plat-

forms allowing for a rapid

change of scene and pace. One

star making a rare public

appearance was the great gold

state coach in which the

Queen rode to her coronation,

last seen during the Silver

Performance on December 7

is to be launched by Audrey

Hepburn, who recently visited Somalia on behalf of Unicef.

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Wales are to be principal guests at the show. Those on

the bill will include the Span-

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Caballé, the Nigel Kennedy

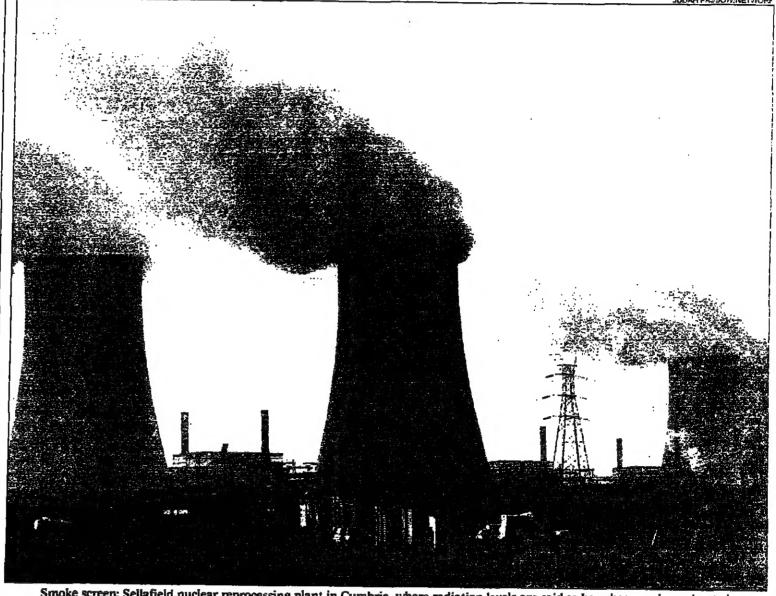
Ensemble and dancers from

the Bolshoi Ballet

This year's Royal Variety

Jubilee in 1977.

Families seek £10m for daughters of Sellafield



Smoke screen: Sellafield nuclear reprocessing plant in Cumbria.

Forty more claims could follow genetic link case

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

RADIATION levels endured by the workforce at the Sellafield reprocessing plant were grossly under estimated by British Nuclear Fuels, the High Court was told yesterday. The allegation was made on the

first day of a test case, in which two families are seeking £10 million damages, claiming that their children's cancers were caused by the effects of radiation on their fathers'

sperm before the children were ants' fathers had received and esti-conceived. It is claimed that the mates of radiation at the 42-year-old children's fathers had been exposed to radiation by working at the plant

in Cumbria. As the case was outlined before Mr Justice French, British Nuclear Fuels was accused of grossly under-estimating the radiation to which its workforce had been exposed. Ben Hytner, QC, for the plaintiffs, told the court of widely conflicting accounts of radiation which the claim-

mates of radiation at the 42-year-old plant. He told the packed courtroom that in 1955, British Nuclear Fuels claimed that the total amount of uranium oxide which had been discharged was a mere 100 g. but that the figure had been revised by this year to between 12 kg and 20 kg
— an increase of at least 120-fold.

The results of a study by Professor Martin Gardner, head of the Medical Research Council environmental

epidemiological unit, were read to the court. They showed a risk of childhood cancer eight times higher in the offspring of fathers employed at the plant than men working elsewhere. Mr Hytner said that a smoke screen would be put up by BNF to cover up the evidence of cancer. Up to 40 other cases depend on the test case, which is expected to last at least six months.

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ON OTHER **PAGES**

Rugby tour in danger

The Rugby Football Union yesterday played down fears that the forthcoming tour of England by South Africa had been threatened by the withdrawal of support by the African National Congress. The ANC offered its support for the stand taken by the National and Olympic Sports Congress (NOSC), which has withdrawn its support from all rugby tours to and from South Africa and from the 1995 World Cup.

South African rugby's failure to implement development schemes in the townships had, the NOSC said, made it necessary to introduce a "correctional measure". The withdrawal of ANC backing may open the way for political protests when the South African tour

90 safari staff sacked

Windsor Safari Park made 90 of its 140 staff redundant yesterday after its abrupt closure over the weekend. The remaining staff will continue to care for the animals while the receivers try to sell the

Grappling with the frontline

The first 1,000 British troops assigned to Operation Grapple, codename for Britain's contribution to the United Nations humanitarian relief effort in Bosnia, will be met by a bewildering contrasts. How will they cope with the deadly internicene warfare all around them? Michael Evans ._.... Page !4

Perot accuses Bush of wedding smear

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

a bizarre new controversy yesterday after he accused the Republicans of a dirry tricks campaign that included plans to smear his daughter Carolyn, disrupt her wedding and wiretap his Dallas headquarters.

The charges were vigorously denied by a string of top Bush aides. Marlin Fitzwater, the White House press secretary. called the charges "preposterous" and Mr Perot "paranoid", and expressed norror at the thought of such a "crazy man" in the Oval Office.

Some Republican officials privately expressed alarm not that the charges might be true, but that they were so fantastical that the Texan's recent surge might be abruptly re-versed. That surge has given the president an outside chance of saving the race.

Mr Perot made the unsubstantiated claims on a Sunday night television programme saying they were the real

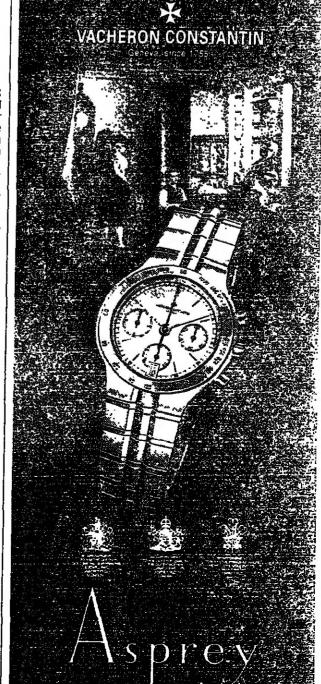
ROSS Perot was the centre of the presidential race for 11 newspapers yesterday treated the allegations as cranky. Mr Perot angrily attacked the media for the way he had been reported and declared: "I am sick and tired of you all questioning my integrity with-

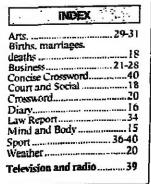
out a basis for it." The CNN-USA Today tracking poll yesterday showed Mr Clinton seven points ahead on 39 per cent, with Mr Bush on 32 and Mr Perot on 20. However an AP state-bystate survey showed Mr Clinton comfortably ahead in 27 states and the District of Columbia, which together accounted for 330 electoral college votes, 60 more than required for victory. He led in another eight states with 69 votes, while Mr Bush led in eight with 61 votes. Seven more states were toss-ups, and Mr Perot was ahead in none.

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Family man: Ross Perot with Carolyn at her wedding





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Only 31 Tory rebels needed to defeat government in Maastricht debate

AND NICHOLAS WOOD

THIRTY-ONE Conservative MPs can defeat the government over Maastricht, even if its ranks are swelled by the support of the Liberal

As Labour sources confirmed yesterday that the party will vote against the government tomorrow week, the Conservative whips began a desperate effort to ensure that 50 waverers who could hold the fate of the government in their hands are aware of the implications of withholding their support.

To press home their message, the whips will be armed with some simple arithmetic. Without Tory support the Opposition parties could muster 293 votes against the socalled paving motion: 269 Labour MPs. 11 assorted Welsh nationalists. Scottish nationalists and Northern Ireland's Social Democratic and Labour MPs, and the 13 Ulster Unionist MPs.

The government's theoretical tally, discounting any revolt, would be 354, its own voting strength of 334 and 20 Liberal Democrats, If 31 Tory

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ment's vote would decline to 323, and that of its opponents would go up to 324.

Even allowing for the possibility that not all the Unionists would turn up to vote with Labour, which might be balanced by the fact that not every Liberal Democrat would support the government, the fig-ures demonstrate the high stakes for which John Major is

playing. Ministers admit there is little hope of winning over the 22 diehards who voted against

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HOW THE EURO-VOTERS MIGHT LINE UP

will be looking at the 50 MPs who did not vote against the government on that occasion. but still felt worried enough about Maastricht to sign the motion calling for a "fresh start" in Britain's relations with the Community tabled after the Danish referendum. In theory if a dozen or so of them switch sides, Mr Major

will be in dire trouble. The rebels claim that almost 30 Tories have indicated they will change sides and vote against the government. The whips

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OTHER ACCOUNTS

CREDIT AGREEMENTS WILL BE VARIED ACCORDINGLY

side. Some 24 of the fresh start" signatories are members of the new intake of Conservative MPs. Although they are proving far more independent than the whips would like, they will be told again that their hopes of ever entering the government will be damaged. MPs in marginal seats will be asked whether they really want to go back out on the hustings in the present economic climate

Bernard Jenkin, the new MP for Colchester North, is one of those turning against the government. "I regard the business of the debate next week as a separate issue from when we are going to have the next general election," he said. The issue is about the timing of the reintroduction of the Maastricht bill.

"If we are to spend all that time preoccupied and obsessed with this particular measure, which to businessmen and householders looks increasingly irrelevant to Britain's needs, we will look barrny. My job as an MP is to ask questions that need to be answered about measures that come before the House of Commons.'

John Townend, chairman of the backbench Tory finance committee and MP for Bridlington; Sir George Gardiner, chairman of the right-wing 92 group of Tory backbenchers; and Sir Rhodes Boyson, a former minister, are giving the whips cause for concern. Mr Townend said: "I am likely to vote against the government. I am passionately opposed to a United States of Europe, and whatever the prime minister says, the other EC heads of government, particularly Kohl and Mitterrand, consider that Maastricht is another step forward to deeper and closer union lead-

at second reading, but since then three things have happened. The Danes have voted against and I cannot see the need to split the Tory party before the Danes have come to a decision. As of now, the treaty is dead. The French almost voted against. The collapse of the exchange-rate

"I voted for the government

ing to a single currency.

MPs deserted to vote with the the second reading of the Opposition parties the govern- Maastricht bill. Instead they bring the waverers back on possible in the foreseeable possible in the foreseeable future. As monetary union is one the most important features of the Maastricht, the thing is as dead as a dodo."

Sir George, who was chairing last night's critical meeting of the 92 group at the Commons, said: "I would certainly expect to vote against the government on Maastricht. I am far short of being a Eurosceptic, but I don't believe this is the way the peoples of

Europe want to go."
Sir Rhodes said: "I shall probably vote against the government. It's irrelevant to the needs of this country at the present time. Why divide the party and the country unnecessarily?"

However, other fresh start signatories have moved back into the government's camp. David Lidington, MP for Aylesbury, said: "I will be voting for the government. The treaty was always a tactical victory, albeit at the end of a negotiating process we had striven to avoid. The government should now pursue the objective of shaping Europe in Britain's interests and that is best done by ratifying the treaty.

Nigel Evans, the new MP for Ribble Valley, and John Greenway, MP for Ryedale. are two other potential rebels who have fallen into line.

Mr Evans said: "I will support the government because at the party conference John Major's message of anti-federalism and pro-subsidiarity made me feel he was fighting on the same side as the rest of us. The business of decentralising power in the Community was started at the Birmingham summit and will be taken further at Edinburgh. The vast majority of us would not be here if not for John Major and we owe a great debt to him."

Mr Greenway said: "You cannot have it both ways. If you are not happy with the way certain things are going in the Community you must be in there arguing for

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Against Robert Dunn



Against Sir George Gardiner



For. John Greenway



For: Nigel Evans



Against: Bernard Jenkin



Bulldogs bite the | Euro rebels | Feverish rewrite for hand that leads

MATTHEW PARRIS POLITICAL SKETCH

n America, militant groups like the self-styled NWAs and QWAs ("Niggers with Attitude") shake fists. Now, on British back benches. appears a variation — TWAs: "Tories with

This breed, almost extinct, has revived. Fed by Eurominers' anger but mostly by the slimness of the prime minister's majority, your Tory backbencher can smell fear as dogs can. He has seen the terror in the chief whip's eyes, noted the pits' reprieve, anticipated the Jubilee Line rescue. He is

Yesterday at transport questions, Tories with Attitude sprouted from every bench. Matthew Carrington (Fulham) wanted a new station on a new Tube line through Fulham. He did not actually say: You missa my constituency. I smasha your face." but the implication

was clear.
Taking note, a minister,
Steven Norris, almost
bowed John Bowis (Battersea) wondered with menacing courtesy whether this line might extend under the Thames to Battersea. Before he could add "or I'll send the boys round", Norris was on his feet to "take your suggestion on board".

By now other Tories were leaping up and down, no doubt with new Tube lines and stations of their own to propose. Nortis was fascinated by each suggestion.

As questions proceeded the prospect grew of a vast new Underground network in London, through which gleaming modern trains conveyed mollified electors to and from brand new Tube stations constructed in the constituencies of every London Tory with Artifude. The handful of govern-

ment backbenchers still willing to bowl soft balls at their ministers looked uneasy. Might they have sold at too low a price? Your sketchwriter remembers a time. under Mrs you-know-who, when a backbencher would

not know."

return to his constituency at weekends to be asked what he had done to help the government. But today's TWAs are asked: "What did you threaten to rebel on this week, Sir Bufton? Only the agriculture bill? And what bave you brought back?
Only a couple of hill-livestock premiums and a turnip subsidy? No new railway? No airport? No six-

lane by-pass?"
Tony Banks, Labour's new
"London" shadow, smiled and called for an extension to the Jubilee Line. Where a sunny holiday abroad lightens most people's hair, the summer vacation seems to have turned Mr Banks's grey back towards black. Will wonders never cease! A new job can be so rejuvenating.

It was at questions to Mr Attorney-General that the Tories' number one lady TWA rose. In a case which will become known as Gorman vs The Solicitor General, Teresa Gorman (Billericay) demanded mercy for women who kill, and accused the legal profession of "ingrained, male-domi-nated attitudes". The male there to answer back — mild, careful Sir Derek Spencer QC — took care not to engage with Gorman's argument, and murmured that he was worried about "revenge killings".

From the expression on Mrs Gorman's face, his firmed the government's commitment to ratifying the treaty. anxieties were well founded. Finally came Peter Brooke, the new heritage minister, with news of "restoration of important national monuments", of which the return to office of Mr Brooke is a fine example. Asked about sites English Heritage might relinquish, he offered a hypothetical example in Wales, then, to heckles, quickly withdrew it.

Does he know Wales isn't in England?" I asked a colleague, later. "He does know," replied my friend, much of the time. But short periods occur when he does Heritage strategy, page 8

put Hurd under

pressure

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, was forced on to the defensive yesterday by Tory backbenchers, who accused the government of misinformation and nervousness in explaining its European policy. He came under persistent pressure from anti-Maastricht Tory MPs to explain why the

government was pushing ahead with plans to ratify the Maastricht treaty before it had Danish support. He also had to defend the government against repeated charges, including one from a fervent pro-European Tory MP, of failing to present its Maastricht arguments effectively.

Mr Hurd faced a 90-minute

interrogation over the government's stance on Europe when he gave evidence to the Commons cross-party European legislation select committee. In some teachy exchanges with some of the most prominent Tory anti-Maastricht campaigners, he warned committee members of the "serious disadvantages" for Britain

and its Community and world influence if "we wrecked, or appeared to wreck, the treaty".

In particular, foreign investors would make a judgment on whether Britain was "fully in Europe or half in and half out". out". Any suggestions that Britain would wreck the treaty would be "bad for job prospects in this country".

Mr. Hurd strongly reaf-

It is not a luxury or a sideissue but a central issue ... and will be presented as such."
Even Hugh Dykes, one of the most pro-European Tory MPs, criticised the government for failing to explain its policies to the public, allowing "a vacuum to build up in this country". There appeared to be unnatural reticence and undue nervousness, which was incomprehensible.

The government was accused by Tony Marlow, Tory MP for Northampton North. of "embarking on a massive policy of misinformation". Any assertion that the Maastricht treaty was aimed at decentralising Europe was a misrepresentation of which Goebbels would have been proud.

Westminster farce

"WE'VE still got nine days to go." That plaintive remark last night by a senior member of the government sums up the mess he and his colleagues are in ahead of the Commons debate on European policy on November 4.

A procedurally unnecessary debate, originally promised to lower the temperature after the Danish referendum in June, has turned into a political quagmire from which Downing Street was last night struggling to extricate itself. This has produced unseemly wriggling over the wording of the motion, threats of a general election and further demoralisation among Tory

This classic Westminster flurry is irrelevant to Britain's real problems, such as the

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continuing recession, further redundancies, the threatened breakdown of the Gatt talks. and the holes in the government's economic policy.

But the possibility of a further government retreat on the wording of the motion, let alone defeat next week, even after a procedurally meaningless debate, would be extremely damaging. It would reinforce the impression that Mr Major has lost the political initiative and is, to use the vivid phrase of Kenneth Clarke, the dog being wagged by the tail of a small but now self-confident band of Tory

backbenchers. The government is caught in an awkward trap. There is probably an underlying majority in the Commons of at least two to one for a pro-European or pro-Maastricht policy (not the same in theory. but in practice similar). But that is offset by the determination of the opposition to exploit the government's unpopularity over pit closures

and the economy.

Mr Major's dilemma is that the more he turns the issue into one of confidence in the government, the more certain it is that Labour and the Liberal Democrats will vote against in the lobbies. The Liberal Democrats said last night that, while they would support a motion seen as promoting Britain in Europe, they would oppose an adjournment motion amounting to a confidence vote. Ministers face the risk of embarrassment, if not defeat, whichever way they look. If ministers have to concede just an adjournment motion, that involves admitting they cannot win a substantive motion on

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EC policy.

Mr Major himself has a strong case. The Maastricht agreement was endorsed by the Commons last December, featured in the Tory election manifesto and approved by a big majority five months ago. In conversation he comes back again and again to the importance of ratifying the treaty to ensure that Britain retains its influence over EC develop-

But the irreconcilable Eurosceptics are willing to call Mr Major's bluff over the threat of an election. They believe, probably rightly, that if the Maastricht bill is defeated, it would be the end of Mr Major, but not of the government. Many of the hard-core would not be unhappy with that, even if any likely succes-

sor was even more pro-EC. But for all its clumsiness of the past few days and weeks. the government still has more than a week to avoid the Eurosceptic rocks. Some pro-European Labour MPs are worried that the opposition, and not the government, is in danger of running aground. They believe neither the government nor Mr Major will be brought down, but, by appearing to compromise its new-found pro-European policy. Labour will undermine its own credibility.

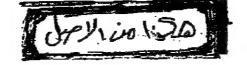
BY PETER RIDDELL POLITICAL EDITOR

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In our leader of October 24 on the Tomlinson Report we stated that university teaching posts in London "can conveniently be combined with hugely lucrative private prac-tices in Harley Street". We understand that London University permits full-time clinical academic staff to undertake limited and supervised private practice. normally to a maximum of 10 per cent, and that such practice is conducted on the site of their employment, not in Harley Street. A minority of staff have taken up this option.



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QC accuses industry of smokescreen over radiation

THE BALANCE

A SMOKESCREEN will be offered by British Nuclear Fuels to cover up evidence of a rash of childhood cancers around the Sellafield nuclear reprocessing plant in Cum-bria, the High Court was warned yesterday at the launch of a damages action which will cost an estimated £10 million.

Amid accusations that workers were not told about the radiation doses to which they were exposed, two families were in court for a landmark hearing expected to last six months while 40 others waited in the wings for a judgment before suing BNFL for compensation. The test case, which has taken up to three years to prepare, involves

allegations of personal injury to young people resulting from genetic damage to their fathers working at the plant.

The allegations, denied by BNFL, involve damage to the fathers' sperm through radiation overdoses to which the comments adorted a "cavalier or and a "cavalier". company adopted a "cavalier approach" during a period in which emissions were grossly under-estimated.

In a joint action Elizabeth Reay formerly of Whitehaven. Cumbria, is claiming damages over the death of her daughter, Dorothy, aged 10 months, from leukaemia in 1962. Her damages have been already agreed with BNFL at £150,000 but are subject to a ruling by Mr Justice French on liability, for the loss of her daughter and for mental anguish suffered by Mrs Reay and her husband George, a Sellafield worker who died of cancer in 1987.

The second plaintiff is Vivien Hope, 23, whose father, David, now 68, was a fitter at the plant for more than 20 years. In 1988 she was diagnosed as suffering from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a len-kaemia-related illness, which after treatment has left her disabled and sterile. Her damages, subject to liability, have been agreed at £125,000.

The company was accused by Ben Hytner QC, counsel for the plaintiffs, of retreating from dosage figures in its records over the extent to which Mr Reay and Mr Hope were exposed before their daughters were conceived. Mr Reay was subject to a radiation reading of 709 millisievents (mSy) and Mr Hope to 294 mSv, Mr Hymer told the court. In their records, ho

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Bereaved: Mrs Reay (left) and Miss Hope at the start of their damages action

pany now accepts their actual readings were 639 mSv and 246 mSv.

Mr Hytner said: "It is not suggested that the defendants were not doing their best to measure doses. It is clear that monitoring facilities were,



Baby Dorothy: died

compared to today, relatively rudimentary. Whether we agree the doses the fact will remain throughout this case. that the defendants do not er, these were recorded by appear to have taken with as side the plant but coming BNFL as 384 mSv and 160 much seriousness as befined from it while babies were still appear to have taken with as side the plant but coming

them the question of the accuracy of the information they were passing on to others about doses. They knew, from their own experts, they had been under-recording doses but they did not inform the workforce. They were cavalier in their approach to the infor-

mation they gave."
The plaintiffs, who were in court, will have to prove on the balance of probabilities that the illnesses resulted from exposure through the fathers to radiation. More than 50 experts in genetics, epidemiol-ogy and radiation damages will give evidence of the cluster of childhood cancers around the controversial plant formerly known as Windscale. Mr Hytner said the plain-

tiffs will rely for part of their case on the Gardner report, published two years ago in the British Medical Journal by Dr Martin Gardner, the Southampton University epi-demiologist, who found that children of Sellafield workers swere at least twice as likely to develop leukaemia. The claims were based on

four principle allegations

C Damage to the fathers'
sperm before conception by radiation exposure.

Post-natal exposure to radiation Exposure of the mothers to

plant before conception, causing damage to their eggs.
So far as environmental exposure or families living near the plant was concerned Mr Hytner said the Gardner report found that excesses of cancers were concentrated on the village of Seascale, two miles from Sellafield, together with a statistical association with workers who had suffered

radiation emanating from the

higher doses of radiation. "Consequently any explana-tion for the excess other than radiation by one pathway of another must explain away the astonishing coincidence that it was predominantly the fathers with high doses of radiation also resident close to a plant discharging radioactive materials into the atmosphere and the sea whose children were contracting the cancer." No alternative explanation had been proffered by BNFL which had instead concentrated on mounting a spoiling exercise, Mr Hytner said. Such a spoiling exercise will have to produce a smokescreen thick enough to



Trial is likely to be a record breaker

By Frances GIBB

expected to break legal records on a number of fronts. It is expected to be the most expensive and complex civil action the courts have seen, taking six to nine months and running up total costs of £10

The case has involved three years of preparation by teams of lawyers from the two law firms involved: Leigh Day & Co, for the families bring the two test cases, and Nuclear Fuels Limited.

Evidence runs to more than

THE Sellafield trial is half a million pages of documents, with reports assemb-led from more than 100 leading scientists from several countries.

> Each side in the case is expected to call 25 scientists to give oral evidence.

Legally, the case will test for the first time the concept of genetic damage: whether radiation from the plant damaged the sperm of nary people." Mr Justice

Former guards officer is in fine fettle to tackle marathon case

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

the Sellafield plant caused workers' children, faces one of the most arduous judicial jobs in recent years. Sir Christopher French, 67.

a former captain in the Coldstream Guards, will preside over a trial that could last nine months, plunging deeply into technical and scientific evidence, with conflicting views from 50 experts from around the world. For the first time a judge in the civil courts will have a full-time assistant, a barrister, to help keep track of the evidence and manage

Mr Justice French is a quiet. courteous and hard-working man, and his former Bar colleagues do not doubt that he is up to it. Allan Levy QC said: "He is a very senior, wellrespected judge and was a very successful silk. As a person he is a very nice man. You would pick him out as a former guards officer — he is very stiffbacked." He is also regarded as

amply suited to picking out the skein of probability from the mass of evidence. "At the end of the day, the judge has all the up-to-date information from every source which individual experts have not got, and it is his task to put them altogeth-er," Mr Levy said.

The task did not call for assistance by scientists acting as lay assessors. "At the end of the day, it is a question of liability and the measure of damages, and that involves considering duty and care and causation, which are essentially legal, not scientific,

The case comes after the whooping cough vaccine tri-als, where similarly the courts had to weigh competing scientific claims. Daniel Brennan QC said: "Mr Justice French will come to a commonsense conclusion. He is not likely to be bogged down by the scientific refinements. One cannot have judges spending their say and forgetting about ordi-

MR JUSTICE French, the French was at the common High Court judge who must law Bar but specialised in decide whether radiation from personal injuries work. He personal injuries work. He acted as counsel in the thalidomide actions and in a landmark damages case in 1980 in which a doctor who was brain-damaged in a hospital blunder was awarded what was then a record sum.

He went on to the High Court bench in 1979, where he is said to be courteous. receptive. One barrister said: "He is always well-prepared and extremely studious." In the criminal courts he faced calls to resign after fining a woman £50 for careless driving that led to the death of a



French: courteous and hard-working

boy aged 13. The maximum fine was £1,000.

He has been in the news equally for heavy sentencing. In 1987, he said that the impact on victims of "violent and wicked" sex attacks must be borne in mind by the courts and upheld heavy sentences on the rapist, and his accomplice, of a teenage virgin.

One of Mr Justice French's recreations is walking and a barrister said that he keeps lean and fit. That will stand him in good stead for the marathon trial. "He used to say," the barrister added, "that when it comes to the heart, it you puff. And he likes a challenge: he will rise to it."

Swedes shine a new light on Conran's natural Habitat

THIS is a lament for, among other things, cheap red enamel mugs. Made in hard-line communist Poland, too hot to drink from but looking good, they were as much the guiding symbol of Sir Terence Conran's Habitat, when he founded it, as the red light is of a brothel.

Now the Swedish chain. Ikea, has bought Habitat, one of the last surviving icons of the sixties. I wrote and presented a BBC TV arts programme about Habitat in 1968. In those pre-commercial days, the BBC fretted that we were just publicising a firm. But sixties Habitat was more than a firm, it was a;

Before then, the high street furniture store was a mausoleum, heavy with vast threepiece suites, dressing tables in light-oak veneer and eyen those things called side-boards. They were guarded by men in suits, called floor walkers, but more like undertakers. Buying furniture was a big deal. You did it when you got married. The upshot (like most marriages then) stayed with you till you died.

Sir Terence's brilliant idea was that furniture buying could be light-hearted. He wrapped the furniture in a welcoming haze of crockery. and cheap and cheerful blinds. The staff smiled The furniture came in flat-packs. It was instant gratification. not paradise on the instal-

Customers rapidly found

anything from Habitat with moving parts. They moved all too easily. Sir Terence began to pay the pioneer's price. Reject Shops showed you could remain cheerful, wille

being even cheaper. These newer high street rivals left it to the customers to put together the designs that matched their lives. Habitat had helped build that confidence in a new generation of an entire, homogenous style that was all too recognisable.

When, in the eighties, Sir Terence created waterside flats in Butlers Wharf, near the Tower of London, he put Habitat furniture only into his cheaper show flat. The dearer flat was furnished by the much smarter The Conran

Shop. Out of London, Habitat stores remained a good deed in a greyer world fike Waterstone bookshops, with which they have much in common). But in London Habitat was squeezed at the top end too. Christopher Wray had his Lighting Empo-rium. Viscount Linley had his high-craft furniture shop. The unified style split Probably nobody knew what a market niche" was when Sir Terence

Habitat, at first, was a bright spot in a dull but solid street. Now you have three categories of street. First, the street (increasingly dowdy) that has the usual branches of all the usual stores fincluding a re-

sidual Habitati. Second, the smart street with Gap and Haagen-Daz, and a branch of the Dome cafe, which rocketed to prosperity in the eighties. Third, there is the underclass street, with its Kwik Save and Pound-

stretcher. Cricklewood Broadway, in north London, is such a street. Here, last weekend, I watched young black mothers and fathers, with their babies, prodding at heaps of secondhand furniture set out on the pavement. This was where all those pre-Habitat suites of the fifties had come to roost. But the families turned away.

Beyond Cricklewood is the drive in land which is chang-ing everything. The helf-hole at the start of the MI is bome to Do It All, Toys 'R' Us, Food Giant — and, just along the North Circular Road, Ikea.

Each Ikea shop tries to be a high street in itself, complete with fast food shop. It is more like Manchester ringway, or Gatwick on a busy charterflight day. You battle round and pick up your stuff at the end. This is the high street as production line. One of the few production lines we have

began. They do now.

Even high streets themby the little black-finish haloselves are turning into niches.

For me, Ikea is symbolised by the little black-finish haloselves are turning into niches. gen lamp. It shines bright. It folds small. If you put it on your desk, it doesn't work as well as it did in the store, because the light is too concentrated. Perhaps we haven't come so far from burning our lips on red enamel, after all.

Schoolboy's sex killer is jailed for life

fathers' deses and proximity to

By PAUL WILKINSON

AN UNEMPLOYED bachelor who strangled a sevenyear-old schoolboy with binder twine after a sex attack and then went babysitting for friends, was jailed for life yesterday with a recommendation that he serve a minimum

of 20 years. Richard Blenkey, 33, admitted killing Paul Pearson in August last year on his allotment at Saltburn-by-the-Sea. Cleveland. Sentencing him at Teesside Crown Court, Mr Justice Blofeld said that Blenkey showed a morbid interest in young boys. "The case indicates you are a danger to these vulnerable mem-bers of society."

The court was told that Blenkey was of limited intel-lect, immature and bordering on the subnormal, but psychiatrists believed he was not mentally ill and was fit to plead. He had a previous conviction in 1978 for breach of the peace after abducting a seven-year-old boy who had escaped before anything could

happen.
The family of Paul Pearson had moved to the seaside village only three weeks before his death. His parents had believed it was a safer place for their son to play than the busy streets of Thornby on Teesside, 15 miles away.

Blenkey had consistently de-

nied the killing, pleading not guilty at a pre-trial review in February. But 11 days ago detectives were given a letter he had written to a man with whom he had struck up a correspondence while in prison awaiting trial. In it he admitted being the killer. Paul Pearson disappeared

on August 14 last year as he cycled home through the allotments near his home. His partly-clothed body was found in a nearby ravine next day. After the killing. Blenkey went to a friend's house to look after their children, the court was told. That evening he had even discussed the boy's disappearance with a police officer who called as part of the search for the missing child.

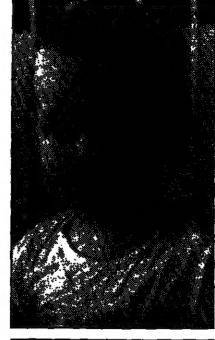
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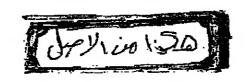


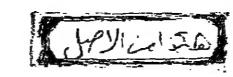


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Animals may die if Windsor safari park fails to find buyer

WINDSOR Safari Park Laing's plan for London zoo made 90 of its 140 staff was a walk-through aquariredundant yesterday after its abrupt closure over the weekend. The remaining staff will continue to care for the animals while the receivers try to sell the park as a going

Oriana Pound, for Cork Gully, the receivers, said the staff would be paid off in accordance with government regulations on receiverships. The staff will be paid to date and will receive holiday pay. The remaining staff are more than a skeleton because they have to look after the animals," she said.

Last night it was confirmed that David Laing, whose £61 million redevelopment plan for London zoo was rejected last week, was interested in the safari park. Ronel Leh-mann, for Mr Laing's New Zoo Developments, said: "We have known about the problems at Windsor for some time and we have been holding discussions behind the

The centrepiece of Mr

was a walk-through aquarium in which visitors would come face to face with sharks and fish behind thick glass. Mr Lehmann confirmed that Windsor was now one of the sites that NZD was considerng for the aquarium.

Windsor Safari Park was forced into receivership in January after falling attendances and the recession caused debts of £40 million. Ms Pound said that press speculation led to the park's abrupt closure. Ms Pound said that if no buyer were found, old and infirm animals might have to be put

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down. Other animals would go to new homes. Animal lovers inundated the park's switchboard yesterday with enquiries about how they could house some of the park's 600 inhabitants. The most popular animals were tropical birds and reptiles. Some people even enquired about lions. David Brotzen, the park's spokesman, said: "We would not send any animals to circuses and no animal dealers will be

Colin Tudge, a member of the Zoological Society of London, which runs London zoo, said people could not

employed.

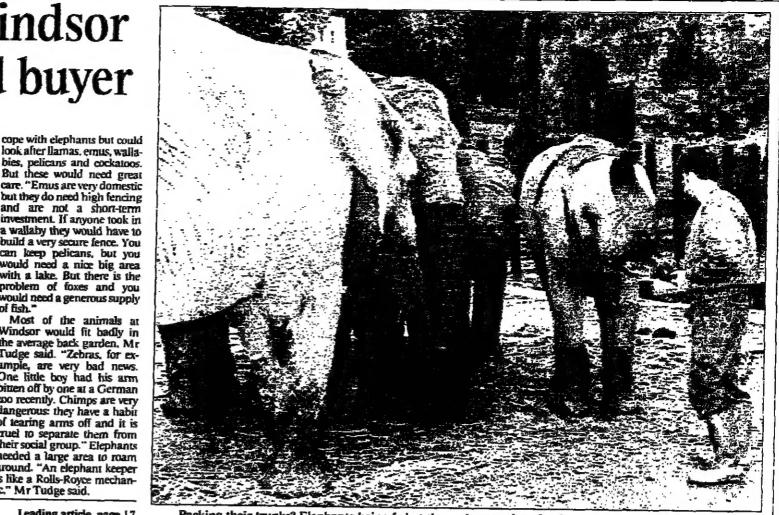
care. "Emus are very domestic but they do need high fencing and are not a short-term investment. If anyone took in a wallaby they would have to build a very secure fence. You can keep pelicans, but you would need a nice big area with a lake. But there is the problem of foxes and you would need a generous supply

cope with elephants but could

bies, pelicans and cockatoos.

But these would need great

Most of the animals at Windsor would fit badly in the average back garden. Mr Tudge said. "Zebras, for ex-ample, are very bad news. One little boy had his arm bitten off by one at a German zoo recently. Chimps are very dangerous: they have a habit of tearing arms off and it is cruel to separate them from their social group." Elephants needed a large area to roam around. "An elephant keeper is like a Rolls-Royce mechan-ic." Mr Tudge said.



Packing their trunks? Elephants being fed at the park yesterday after keepers were told of the closure

Signalmen 'told crash driver to ignore red light'

By A STAFF REPORTER

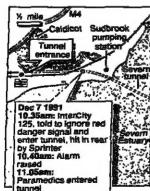
An InterCity driver described yesterday how his train was hit from behind by another in the Severn Tunnel after signalmen instructed him to pass through a red danger light.

More than a third of the 300 passengers aboard the two trains were injured in December last year when the 8.30am Paddington to Cardiff train was rammed by a smaller Portsmouth to Cardiff Sprinter at the Gwent end of the tunnel under the Severn.

Giving evidence at a resumed public enquiry at Cardiff city hall David Robertson said he first thought his high-speed 125 Paddington-Cardiff service had been derailed and did not realise another train was involved. "I was in the middle of the tunnel when I felt this impact and was thrown forward in my seat."

Shaken but uninjured, he

stopped the train, got out of his cab to alert signalmen and then walked 100 yards back down the line to investigate the crash. Towards the back of the train he met the conductor, who told him the driver of another train was trapped in his cab and was bleeding badly. Stephen Carpenter, the Sprinter train driver, lost an



eye. Mr Robertson, with 30 years' experience driving trains, told how he helped to free Mr Carpenter and later transferred passengers from the Sprinter to his own train

before ferrying them to safety. He told Robin Seymour, the accident inspector, that he received an amber signal and then a red danger signal three-quarters of a mile before entering the tunnel.

Following BR rules he stopped at the red signal and when he did not receive any further instructions got down from his cab to speak to a side telephone. "He told me they had some problems and instructed me to pass the signal. I got back into the cab, gave a blast on the horn and moved off." Mr Robertson said he followed the correct procedure - to proceed at caution to be prepared to stop at any instruction. His speed going into the tunnel was about 20mph

British Rail has accepted responsibility for the crash and suspect that a signalling fault changed a red light to green. But an exhaustive probe by engineers has failed to find the exact cause. Many assengers are seeking compensation for their injuries.

The public enquiry, which opened in Bristol in July, has also heard of a two-hour delay in getting emergency services to the crash site because teams were initially sent to the the Bristol end of the tunnel.

The enquiry has already heard that the main signalling system near the tunnel had been taken out of service and a "back-up" system was in operation while engineers were carrying out work. The enquiry continues today.

Salvation Army officer in uniform is raped

A SALVATION Army officer in uniform was raped in a darkened alleyway just yards from a village church.

The woman, in her early 40s, was grabbed from behind and then frogmarched into the alleyway by the rapist, who clasped his hands over her mouth and face. The attack happened on Sunday at 10.30pm as she walked past the Methodist church in Stotfold, Bedfordshire. She was on her way home after visiting a relative in the

Detective Inspector Steve Camfield said: "She was outside the Methodist church and was about to cross over a road when a man grabbed her from behind and placed his hand over her face.

"She was then walked off with him still behind her for a distance of about 20 yards to a footpath which cuts down an alleyway off the high street. About 20 yards down the footpath there is a small section of wasteland and it was here that he raped her."

After the attack the man fled and the woman ran to the home of her parents, who live near by, and raised the alarm. Police, who do not have a clear description of the

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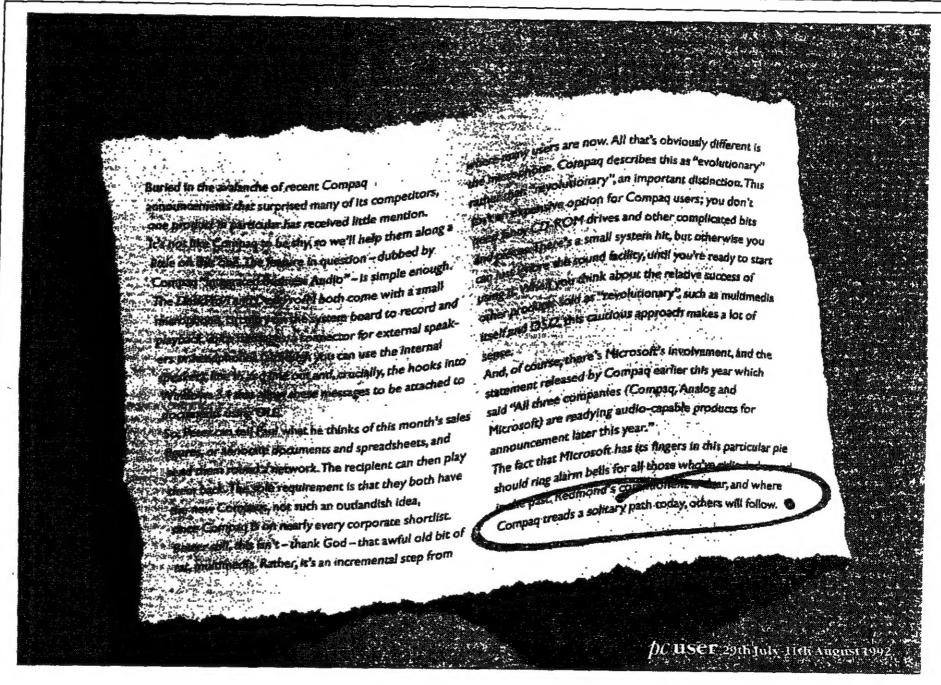
attacker, carried out house-tohouse enquiries in the village yesterday. They said that in spite of the village location it was a busy spot and they feel something.

The woman spent the night being interviewed in the special rape suite at Greyfriars police station in Bedford. Police said that she was severely upset and trau-matised by the attack. ☐ An 18-year-old student was abducted and raped twice at

knifepoint. The girl, who was tied up and blindfolded throughout her 90-minute ordeal, was dumped on a lonely road on the outskirts of

She was on her way to meet her boy friend when she was approached from behind by her attacker on Sunday night as she stood at a bus stop in Woodthorpe. He held a knife to her throat and, after demanding money, dragged her behind some shops where he forced her into a car. She was then blindfolded and her hands tied behind her back. She was released near the

main A60 Nottingham to Mansfield road and made ber way to a telephone box to call



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Essex council vows to defy law to keep out Yugoslav refugees

A COUNCIL in Essex will be it's not legal, but what else can bankrupt within four weeks if we do? We can't provide for refugees from the former Yugoslavia continue to arrive at Stansted airport, its Conservative leader claimed yesterday.

We received 171 Albanian refugees from Macedonia nine days ago," said Robert Chambers, leader of Utilesford District Council We have been told that 250 more will arrive on Sunday

and we simply cannot cope."

Mr Chambers said that he was prepared to break the law in an attempt to stop the refugees arriving at Stansted: "I am a true blue, but the government must realise that we need a national policy on refugees. We do not have the resources to provide for them. I would be prepared to go as

far as being arrested." "Myself, and other councillors, will attempt to physically stop the refugees leaving the airport, because the minute they leave the airport they are legally our problem. I know we do? We can't provide for hundreds of refugees just because the airport is on our

doorstep."
The Home Office and the there will be no extra money available to provide for the refugees. They have said the council should be able to find the extra resources from its annual budget. Mr Chambers will meet an environment under-secretary on Wednes-day to lobby for extra re-sources, but the Home Office

next week.
"I have grear sympathy for these refugees," he said. "I have nothing against them coming to Britain. I want a policy which looks after them in a humanitarian and dignified way. A small authority like us cannot cope with this emergency. We have housed 112 from last week's flight which will cost us 10 per cent

says it cannot meet him until

of our annual budget of £5.25 million. Each refugee will cost £5,000 per year."

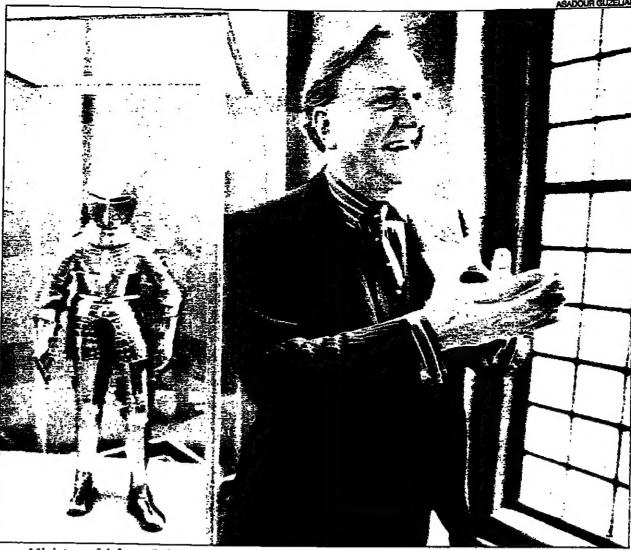
Mr Chambers is calling on the government to develop a national policy to provide for environment department the even dispersal of refugees, have told Mr Chambers that and additional funding for local authorities.

Councillor Alan Dean, leader of the Liberal Democrat opposition, and councillor Philip Leeder of the independent group, have both backed Mr Chambers' call for government action. Refugees were initially

housed in the leisure centre at

Saffron Walden but the coun-

cil has now housed them in student flats, bed and break-fast accommodation and with local people. "This is a temporary situation," said Mr Chambers. "It can't go on forever. These people are Muslims, and the nearest mosque must be London. The local people have been brilliant, but this isn't a real



Miniature of defence: Robert Hardy, the actor, and a 17th century suit of child's armour at the launch

Armourer's craft goes on show

By ROBIN YOUNG

THE Royal Armouries, the oldest museum in the country, yesterday unveiled the design for its new museum in Leeds, which is planned to be one of the most exciting and

novel in the country. The museum will use the latest audio-visual techniques, live presentations, and demonstrations of crafts and weapon handling to explain the development of arms and armour around the

world to the present day.

The building will be the centrepiece of the redevelopment of the Clarence Dock area of Leeds, standing between the River Aire and the outer dock basin, with a public street running through its heart. The museum will also provide space for evening events and entertainments with room for up to 500

people.
Outside there will be a large area for re-enactments of jousting, military drill, falconry and dog handling with stables, kennels and armourers' and craftsmen's workshops alongside. It is intended that the museum should open in 1996.

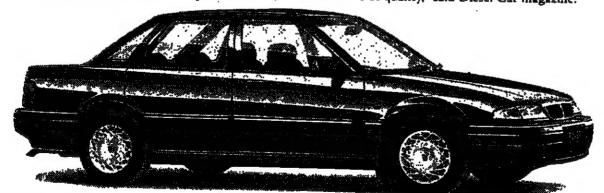
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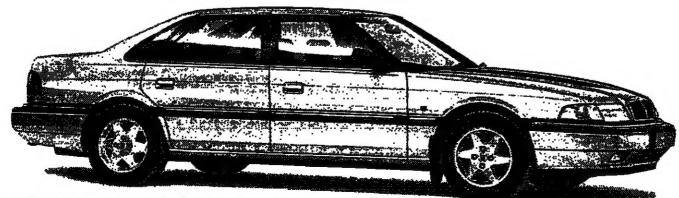
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Autumn leaves give BR devices the slip

British Rail's annual offensive against leaves on the line suffered a setback yesterday as delays of up to 30 minutes were reported on some services (Nigel Hawkes writes). In Hampshire, Wiltshire, Kent, Hertfordshire and at Sydenham in south London, wheels slipping on greasy

Sydenham in south London, wheels supping on greasy tracks delayed passengers.

This year BR has deployed a sophisticated new range of anti-leaf devices, including water cannon and Sandite trains that apply a paste combined with steel particles to the rails to improve grip. But Network SouthEast said: "We have only got 27 Sandite trains and we have 4,000 miles to cover. You can't do it all in one night." British Rail hopes that felling trackside trees will help reduce the problem.

IRA suspects on trial

Three IRA suspects went on trial in Düsseldorf, Germany, yesterday, accused of shooting dead British army Major Michael Dillon-Lee in front of his wife. Donna Maguire. Sean Hick and Paul Hughes have already been cleared in Holland of the murder of two Australian tourists mistaken for British soldiers. The trial may last over two years.

Sikh libel suit settled

Dr Jagiit Singh Chohan, president of the London-based Council of Khalistan, yesterday accepted an undisclosed sum from Times Newspapers Ltd after a libel action over an article in The Sunday Times which he felt suggested his promotion of the cause of an independent Sikh state was associated with terrorism and drug-trafficking.

Nurse wins damages

A nurse fired from Claybury Hospital, Chigwell, Essex, after he was wrongly accused of having an affair with a psychiatric patient, won more than £12,000 in compensation yesterday. An industrial tribunal upheld that the career of Gora Golamaully, of Chingford, was damaged after his bosses acted on unsubstantiated claims.

Row 'led to shooting'

LLoyd Davies, 28, a car salesman, was shot in the heart when he argued with a man in a nearby pub over a car parked outside his showroom in Stoke Newington, north London, the Old Bailey was told. Barry Crane, 34, a motor trader from Hampshire, denies murder. The trial

Top women dine out on their success

By ALAN HAMILTON

ADJUSTING the hem of her black rubber miniskirt, Tina Shaw creaked forward in her chair to explain that she was a guest at yestetday's Women of the Year lunch not because of the shop she has opened in north London selling rubber and other fetish wear for women, but because of her principal profession of belly-

dancing.
"Did you know," she asked in an intimate whisper, "that there are now male bellydancers, and they're terribly good?" It seemed ample justi-fication for the holding of a Men of the Year lunch for those males who have crashed through the glass floor of female-dominated pro-

fessions. Every year for the past 37 years, women achievers who have broken through the socalled glass ceiling that keeps their sex from the top positions have been invited to a lunch at the Savoy to celebrate their

Yesterday's bash had the first woman RAF jet pilot, the first woman master thatcher (not to be confused with Mark of that ilk), the first woman deputy leader of the Labour Party and the first woman Director of Public Prosecutions, all representing fields with a far greater tradition-of

male supremacy than belly-

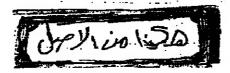
dancing. Guests paid £51 to attend, with proceeds of over £100,000 going to the Greater London Fund for the Blind. A special award, a trophy designed by Dame Elisabeth Frink, was made to Judy Watson, 41, head English teacher at Broadoak comprehensive school. Weston-super-

Mare, who is blind. No awards are made to the ordinary guests, for whom the honour of selection is supposed to be enough. But each is given what the PR woman running the event called "a goodie-bag of yumptious thingies". A PR male would have said "a selection of perfumes and toiletries."

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Labour criticises proposal to sell off 200 monuments and historic sites

Minister backs strategy to put heritage in private hands

By JOHN YOUNG

UP TO 200 historic buildings and monuments now in the care of English Heritage could be handed over to private or local authority management under a plan announced yes-terday. Nearly 500 staff, more than a quarter of the total, will be made redundant over the next four years, and the organ-isation's direct labour force is to be privatised. Jocelyn Stevens, English

Heritage's chairman, said that properties were being divided into three categories of importance, and that efforts would be concentrated on the first two. The lists had not yet been completed, but the top group would consist of about 60 and the second about 100, leaving about 200 which might where appropriate, be transferred to new ownership.

In the Commons last night. the Opposition branded Mr Stevens as "an unsuitable ideological ignoramus". Robin Corbett, the Labour spokessaid that some monuments were "doomed to neglect". Mr Brooke responded that Mr Stevens had produced "a positive, forwardlooking strategy". Doug Murdoch of the Civil and Public Services Association. said: "It appears that this country's heritage is being put at risk by a cost-cutting gov-

Mr Stevens promised that sites of outstanding national and international importance. such as Stonehenge and Avebury, which have been given United Nations World Heritage status, would remain in national custodianship. There was also no question of abandoning properties of less

Mr Stevens made clear that the plan offered little scope for argument or discussion. It had been drawn up by senior staff over the past six months, and had been approved by English Heritage commissioners and w Michael Howard and Peter

heritage secretaries. One proposal which has caused particular dismay is that English Heritage will withdraw its powers to oversee grade two listed buildings in Greater inherited from the former Greater London Council historic buildings committee and their abandonment will. it is feared, give a licence to certain London boroughs which have shown indifference and even hostility to conservation.

Mr Stevens claimed that the plan offered a realistic pro-gramme for safeguarding the heritage. "We are raising our standards, not dropping them as many press reports have suggested." he said. 'The public sector as a whole must come to terms with the state of the national economy:

The plan states that while English Heritage will maintain its role as "acquirer of last resort", it will focus its resources on buildings listed grade one or grade two or, in exceptional circumstances. where a local solution to an important building or site is impossible because of cost, complexity or technical difficulty. It will generate extra eash from whatever sources it can activate, and will explore the possible setting up of a conservation fund to harness private resources to enable it take emergency action.

English Heritage also plans to increase income from admissions to sites and monuments, sales and membership, and to launch a public appeal for funds. Mr Stevens said the proposed national lottery could offer a lifeline for conservation and archaeology, but that would not be before 1995 at the earliest.

Mr Stevens rejected a suggestion by John Gorst, Conservative MP for Hendon North, that he was being elitist in concentrating on the most important buildings and ig-



Historic vision: Mr Stevens yesterday announcing a private future for Britain's public past

and less well-known houses. "I do not regard managing England's heritage as managing

its stately homes," he said. Much of English Heritage's work was concerned with industrial buildings. Just as historic houses were more interesting with their contents and landscape intact, so factories were more interesting with their original machinery intact and dockyards containing ships. He was particularly proud of the Canning Street restoration in Liverpool, for which to million had been

alloned over the next six years.

Baroness Holiis of
Heigham, a former English Heritage commissioner, sug-gested it was unreasonable to local authorities, burden which had been chargecapped and forced to cut budgets and make staff redundant, with extra responsibilities for historic buildings. Mr Stevens replied that no trans-Brooke the environment and noring the needs of smaller full discussions,

Orkney report to seek guide on child sex-abuse victims

BY RAY CLANCY

NATIONAL guidelines on interviewing victims of child sex abuse and legislation on parents' rights and responsibilities are likely to be recommended in the Orkney judicial enquiry report, to be published today.

The 400-page report, pre-pared by Lord Clyde, is expected to make more than 180 recommendations. Lord Clyde is expected to recognise that the whole area of child sexual abuse is a complex one. The situation in Orkney was compounded by the scale of the allegations and the large numbers of adults and children

The enquiry was into the

handling of investigations of alleged ritual sexual abuse on South Ronaldsay which led to the removal of nine children from their homes and their return three months later amid allegations of incompetence by social workers in-

volved in the case. Most social workers, especially those in rural areas, never encounter child sex abuse and those who may have come across one case involving one family would still be totally unprepared to deal with organised ritual abuse. The report is likely to address the issue of more

All those involved now agree that the truth about what happened on the windswept island where pagan customs are intrinsically mingled with life, work, marriage and death, will never be known. Despite 131 days of evidence to the enquiry, costing £6 body wanted addressed remain unanswered.

At the enquiry it was never made clear how many were involved in a supposed de-

BY RUTH GLEDHILL

RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

VIRGINIA Bottomley, the health secretary, declared her

support for women priests

yesterday by hosting the launch of the latest advertis-ing campaign for the Move-ment for the Ordination of

Commons. Her decision to

"come out" as a supporter of

women priests places her at odds with fellow cabinet

member, John Gummer, the

Mrs Bottomley said she felt

a "growing sense of resent-

ment" as a woman that there

were no women ordained

priests in the Church of

England.
The meeting supported

also by Conservative MPs

Emma Nicholson and Peter

Bottomley and the Liberal Democrat Simon Hughes.

came two weeks before the

decisive vote on women

priests on November 11 by

the general synod of the

Church of England. Mr Gum-

mer, a member of the synod,

has threatened to leave the

church if it ordains women

The campaign features Dr

Susan Cole-King, a woman

priest who was ordained in

the United States but is

working in England as a

deacon, unable to celebrate

communion or pronounce ab-

solution. Advertisements to

be published in the church

press this week say: "As a

minister-in-charge of an Ox-

fordshire parish, she has to

waste precious time each

week, tracking down male

priests to conduct the parts of

The campaign marks a

move into a higher gear by

supporters of women priests.

services forbidden to her."

agriculture minister.

Bottomley declares

for women priests

monic and sex-orientated circle of abuse that met in a deserted quarry and involved adults in the community as well as children. The enquiry was told that eight children from a family where the father had already been jailed for physical and sexual abuse were taken into care. Three of them told care workers of bizarre sexual rituals involving a master dressed in a black cloak and hood.

Last night, the enquiry was labelled as narrow and circumstantial because of its limited remit to report on the future and not the past. Cyril lieves it was a disaster. "What we need is the names of the people involved cleared, an apology from the social work department and reorganisation." he said.

Peter Thurnham, Conservative MP for Bolton Northeast, wants a recommendation that children should not be taken from their homes in raids. The RSPCA wants the appointment of an independent official to manage all official groups involved.

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wing. Uppity. for "too much

prayer and not enough ac-

tion". The debate has become

particularly heated since the

George Carey, appealed earli-er this month for opponents

to behave with love and

Mrs Bottomley said Britain and a woman head of state

and had had a woman head of

government. As a constituen-

cy MP and a woman, she

supported the ordination of

women priests.

is one woman bishop.

majority needed from the

bishops, clergy and laity on

the general synod. It will then

have to be approved by parlia-

ment before it can receive

The Right Rev Barry Rogerson, bishop of Bristol,

said the issue might be the

most important one facing

the church. The equality,

dignity and worth of every

human being is the central

royal assent.

Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr

now divided on

differences aside,

Hotline rebuke for press watchdog By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE Press Complaints Commission has been rebuked for refusing to accept third-party complaints and failing to set up a "hotline" to allow victurs of press intrusion to complain

before an article or photo-graph is published.

Five former members of the old Press Council said the commission, which replaced it almost two years ago, had been wrong to ignore recommendations contained in the 1990 Calcutt report into privacy and the press. They urged Sir David Calcutt QC, now conducting a second govern-ment enquiry into newspaper self-regulation, to again recommend the hotline.

A hotline would allow those who had reason to fear imminent intrusion into their privacy by identifiable newspapers to call the commission, which could then warn the editors.
"Whether to pursue — and no
doubt seek to justify — the
intrusion would remain a question for the editor, but the use of the hotline would reduce the danger that unjustifiable intrustion might take place without the editor's knowledge or consent," the

members told Sir David. The five, who include Louis Blom-Cooper QC, the former council chairman, and Ken Morgan, its former director, also called on the commission to take complaints from a wider cross-section of society. not just those directly affected by stories printed about them.

They also say the public should be able to complain about instances of unethical press conduct which are not covered by the newspaper industry's code of conduct.

Surgeons transplant muscle to transplant man's heart

BY NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

A PATIENT in a Manchester hospital has been treated for heart failure by having a muscle removed from his shoulder and wrapped around his heart to provide extra power. The surgeon, Tim Hooper, said it was the first time this form of heart surgery had been used suc-

cessfully in Britain. The operation was carried out last Wednesday at Wythenshawe Hospital on a 52-year-old man, who is doing well. He is expected to leave hospital next week. After that a pacemaker inserted during the operation will be turned on to stimulate contractions of the muscle, which will help

the heart to pump. The operation, called cardiomyoplasty, has been carried out on more than 200 patients in the United States and in continental Europe. Mr Hooper said the results had been very promising, with patients who had been severely disabled by heart failure able to lead more normal lives. The loss of the muscle from the shoulder has no apparent ill-effects.

The operation costs half that of a heart transplant, and because the patient's own tissue is used, there is no need for anti-rejection drugs. A 51-year-old man received

a new heart at Papworth Hospital yesterday — its 500th heart transplant operation. The married man from the West Midlands is said to be in a satisfactory condition. John Wallwork, director of the transplant service, said: "Our activity is restricted only by the number of organs available."

Low-income families 'not eating properly'

BY NICHOLAS WATT

MANY families cannot afford The study shows half of rebasic necessities such as proper food and clothing as they struggle to cope with mounting debt. a survey discloses today. It shows that half of low-income families blame financial worries for marical problems.

The National Children's Home asked 347 families living on low incomes how they coped with debt. Nearly half of those questioned (48 per cent) said they felt too ashamed or embarrassed to

discuss their problems. Nearly a third (31 per cent) felt like running away, while 29 per cent said they felt like stealing to make ends meet

The way it isn't

spondents were going into debt to buy everyday necessities. Eighty-two per cent of those receiving benefit paycome of under £100, while 83 per cent of families earning ncomes lived on under £200 a

Many parents said they had felt desperate about money at some time and a few even said they had contemplated suicide. Most of the families (80) per cent) said their children were going without clothes and shoes they needed and two thirds of parents who were deeply in debt said they were worried that their children's

behaviour would be affected. The survey comes after Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, told this year's Conservative party conference that he would clamp down on scroungers. But Tom White. chief executive of the National Children's Home, said the report painted such a shocking picture of family life for tens of thousands of British households that the government should take immediate

The government should end the controversial social-fund loans and replace them with grants, while child benefit should be restored to its 1985

real value, he said. The NCH also wants to see more help with fuel bills, and moves to make families aware of all benefits to which they are entitled. It cited the case of Simon, whose surname was withheld, to show how the NCH has helped people caught by spiralling debts. Even though Simon had a full-time job, his family had gone into debt to buy basic items. An NCH office helped him to reduce his repayments. but Simon then fell ill. Again

The report said: "By seeking advice at an early stage Simon was able to tackle his financial problems before the situation

month.

ing me to recall my own glorious career as a reporter. A common illusion is that war reporters have the toughest time of it. I am glad to correct that illusion. I was once asked to interview Margaret, Duchess of Argyll, for Tatler on the subject of her pet dog, Alphonse. When I arrived

at her apartment, the commissionaire told me that she was out with Alphonse. Ten minutes later she came to the door. As I approached her, she visibly

She had always been a "gentle" supporter of woman priests. believing it would take the church time to come round. Her views strengthened on seeing women deaconstituency, and after visiting New Zealand, where women are priests and there The views of MPs will become increasingly important if the measure to ordain the Grosvenor House. I priests is voted by the two-thirds

> terminated forthwith. Later, when it was rescheduled. I begged a friend of mine in terror to take my place. Alas, his also ended in tears, and later the duchess demanded a printed re-traction of his colloquialism "Bugger's Grips" to describe the cut of the fur on the cheeks of little

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flinched. Perhaps she thought I was a mugger. "I'm from the Tatler." I corrected told her. She looked me up and down with a look of ill-concealed disgust. "You certainly don't look as though you're from the Tatler," she said. "Where's your identification?"I scrabbled about in the pockets of my jeans. Old sweet-papers, rubberbands and shopping receipts began to tumble onto the deep blue carpet of could find no identification. The interview was

the NCH helped him to restructure his debts.

became unmanageable."

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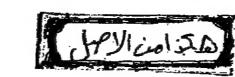
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The Movement for the Ordi-nation of Women has faced



Debate continues 25 years on

Abortion adversaries demand law reform

By LOUISE HIDALGO

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A QUARTER of a century on, the debate over legalised abor-tion continues to provoke high emotions. In Britain, the political upheavals which characterised the debate in the sixties and which now affect the American presidential elections, took place 25 years

Today, on the 25th anniver-Today, on the 25th anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act by parliament, Ann Winterton, Conservative MP for Congleton, will lead a parliamentary delegation to Downing Street to protest against a legal framework which she and others believe allows "abortion on demand". They will bear a wreath of white flowers in remembrance of the 3.7 million abortions of the 3.7 million abortions which have been carried out since the termination of preg-

have typified the uncompro-mising style of campaigning on both sides of the abortion For the past week, antiabortion campaigners, or prolifers as they prefer to be called, have been fasting on the streets of London. Yesterday the opposing camps ral-lied within half-a-mile of each other in central London to

mark the anniversary. There is

nancies in the UK was legalised. Emotive symbols

■ Both camps in the battle over abortion continue to wage a war of shock tactics, but agree that current legislation is failing to satisfy either side

hittle room for compromise, but on one point at least both are agreed; the abortion legislation first introduced by David Steel (now Sir David) in 1967, and amended in 1991 have the child. by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act, is in serious need of revision. Jane Roe, co-ordinator of the Abortion Law Reform

Association, says people are mistaken if they believe this country promotes abortion on request. "As the law stands, women do not decide to have an abortion. Doctors decide. Yet the decision being made is a moral and a social one. It is

not a medical one."

In a poll of women seeking terminations at a charitable clinic, two thirds said their request had been treated unsympathetically by their GP, or that they had been told they would have to wait between five to six weeks for an abortion on the national health service.

"It is a difficult decision for any woman. It is unacceptable to make it more difficult." Ms

tion on the grounds she has booked a skiing holiday," she It took nearly 24 years for anti-abortion campaigners to achieve changes to the 1967 Act but when they came they were most unwelcome. The 1991 bill reduced the time limit from 28 to 24 weeks, but scrapped the virtual ban that had existed on abortions after 28 weeks. After the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act had made its stormy way through parliament, chief whips said the issue was closed for the next ten years. When the Liberal Demo-

The pro-chaicers believe public opinion is on their side.

Two polls carried out last year, one on behalf of Ms Roe's association, showed that more

than three quarters of adults support a woman's right to

octat MP for Liverpool-Mossley Hill and veteran pro-lifer. "We were led to believe

that the parameters of the 1967 Abortion Act would not

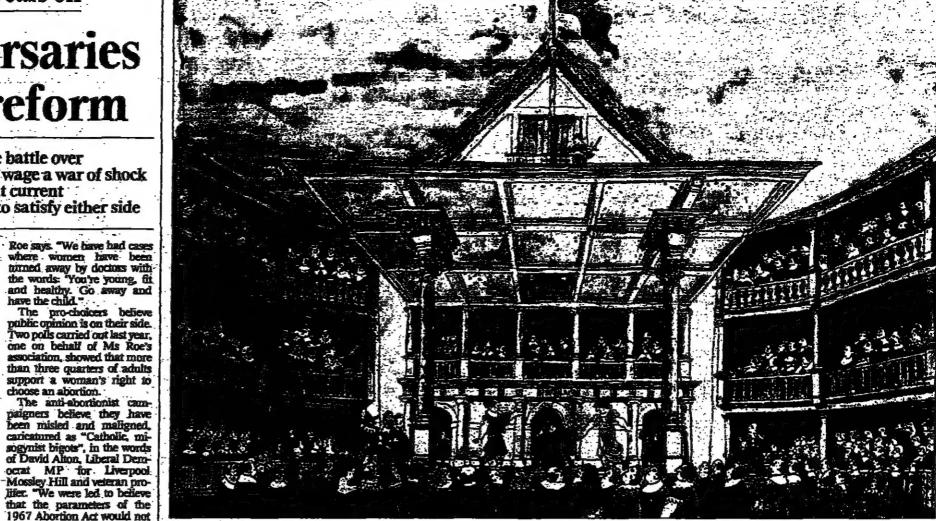
be abused," Mrs Winterton

said. They have been. We now have the most liberal abortion laws in Europe, where a mother of three can

request, and obtain, an abor-

choose an abortion.

crats voted at their party conference last month to adopt a motion on abortion for the first time in 25 years, many delegates were furious. Mr Alton announced he would not stand again.



Shakespeare in the round: the audience of 1,500 will be clustered around the stage, much nearer the actors than in modern theatres

Scholars set the scene for Globe's reconstruction

BY ALISON ROBERTS ARTS REPORTER

PLANS for the reconstruction of Shakespeare's Globe theatre have been finalised by a team of international experts. New designs for the stage itself have been based on scholarly conjecture and archaeolgical evidence and show a majestic carved back wall built within the "wooden O".

A team of Shakespearean theatre academics from all over the world met in London earlier this month to thrash out a final version of the much-disputed theatre dimensions and to agree upon plans

for the stage.
Further debate was necessary located on London's South Bank. Jon Greenfield, an architect from the stage had been discussed.

"The stage and tiring house, a sort of backstage where the actors got changed, will be built within the circle. The back wall will be

fixed, highly coloured and highly carved in an early classical style with three doors in it," he said. "The huge oak heavens will be

wooden pillars will be painted to make them look like marble."
Winding machinery for a literal deus ex machina effect will be housed in the pyramid-shaped stage roof.

The scholars, led by the American actor director Sam Wanama-

can actor-director Sam Wanamaker, whose perseverance has enabled the project to get this far, are determined to make every aspect of the theatre as authentic as possible. They decided that the flag, raised over the circle during

hoisted from a stair turnet rather than from the front gable.

Professor Andrew Gurr, who chaired the conference, said that a resident company would be formed once the theatre was built. The new designs show that the 1,500-strong audience, clustered around the rectangular stage, would be much nearer the actors than in modern theatres.

"This conference was a major step forward in that we now know we have a design of the Globe that is absolutely the best that we can work out." he said. "It will be quite radically different, even from The Swan at Stratford. The actors may be inhibited by the fact that they can see the audience as well as the audience can see them."

While the opening is still on schedule for 1994,a timetable for construction depends upon fi-



The Bard: his theatre to live again



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One hundred days of John Smith brings new unity to a party battered by defeat

By Julia Llewellyn Smith

JOHN Smith's first hundred days as Labour leader have confounded the sceptics who predicted bitter in-fighting after Labour's fourth successive general election de-feat in April

leadership, Labour has been united in its determination to sweep from office the Conservatives, and Mr Smith yesterday celebrated the milestone buoyed up by a revival in the party's fortunes and with a rediscovered enthusiasm for the political fray.

Despite his frequent ap-pearances on televisison, realife sightings around the party's Walworth Road headwere as rare as signs of an upturn in the economy. Waiters at the Pizzeria Castello, whose pizzas the other John, Mr Major, recently criticised for their high garlic content, said they had never noticed the Labour leader dining there "Perhaps he doesn't like gartic either," said Renzo

pressed observers with his show high public satisfaction

Labour party. He will be all too aware that it has been the government's problems rather than his own actions which with a series of heaven-sent opportunities to attack the crisis, the continuing recession, pit closures and the prime minister's leadership

style.
Mr Smith, a former Parliamentarian of the Year, has used his Commons appearances to put the government on the ropes. He was judged to have beaten Mr Major gency economic debate last month and during last week's question time exchanges.

In party terms, he now has a tighter grip on the Labour machine than even Neil to a man and woman, espe-cially since the resignation last month of his leadership rival, Bryan Gould over Europe. The ruling national ner, the MP for Bolsover, making way for Mr Smith's



Ladies' man: John Smith, the Labour leader, takes a walk with his wife Elizabeth and daughters Sarah, left. Jane and Catherine in St James's park, London

Heseltine promises 'thorough' review of the coal industry

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

MICHAEL Heseltine yester-day prepared for his trial at the hands of fellow MPs by pledging to re-examine his own powers in limiting the number of gas-fired power stations.

On the eve of what is expected to be a painful appearance before the Commons all-party trade and Heseltine sought to prove that his forthcoming review will go to the heart of the government's energy policy.

Announcing the terms of reference of what he called the ted. He confirmed that a subsequent white paper, setting out the results of the review, will be published early next year. The role of the private sector in coal production will be a focal point of the review, as will anticipated levels of imported coal.

An important part of the review will be to reassess the relative costs of coal- and gasfired generation of electricity and will examine estimates of the likely reserves of gas. Opponents of the pit closure programme have said consisently that the costs and depth of reserves are crucial to any consideration of the future of the coal industry. Mr

The Commons trade and industry select committee will today question Mr Heseltine on the future of the coal industry

Heseltine's review will examine whether any electricity ition in the market place" and to run down coal stocks both at

tioned the sense of Mr Heseltine conducting a review when he had already made his views known, and repeated its call for the trade and industry select committee to carry out

Each of the 21 threatened coal pits subject to a moratorium will be examined individually, taking into account the effects of the government's energy policy on the future of British Coal and job prospects in the industry. Consultation will involve trades unions. energy providers and consumers and other interested parties, Mr Heseltine said in a

Commons written reply.

Mr Heseltine emphasised that the review will reassess the powers of the president of the board of trade to consent to the building of new gas-fired stations. Currently, he cannot stipulate the type of fuel used to fire new stations, but the

had been concluded.

Heseltine: putting his own powers on the line

BY MICHAEL EVANS

AND ROBERT MORGAN

The D-notice system, under-

■ which a retired admiral offers

advice to the media about the

wisdom of mentioning the where-

abouts of a nuclear bomb factory or

the name of the secret intelligence

In spite of the government's

declared espousal of openness, the

old D-notice system, the nearest

thing to government censorship,

However, Rear Admiral Bill Hig-

gins, longstanding secretary of the Defence Press and Broadcasting

Committee, which manages the D-

notice system, has faced a job with

Certain areas of Whitehall secre-

diminishing returns.

service chief, is to be reviewed.

review could lead to greater government intervention.

In a further new announce ment, he added that he would on British Coal's prospects, including whether there were viable alternative markets for coal in Britain and abroad The independent report will be in addition to one already announced in which Boyds, a mining consultancy, will look at the viability of the 21 pits. Mr Heseltine's promise to

re-examine the policy of consent reinforces the intention indicated last March by Lord Wakeham, when energy secretary, to intervene in the choice of fuel used in new power stations.

Since then, however, Tim Eggar, the energy minister, has approved the building of new gas-fired stations without intervention. Labour has consistently called for the government to be more aggressive in questioning the power companies over their choice of fuel.

Earlier, Robin Cook, the shadow trade and industry secretary, demanded an admission from Mr Heseltine that he would have to postpone the privatisation of Britsh Coal because of the review of the pit closure programme. In a letter to the board of

trade president on the eve of Mr Heseltine's appearance in front of the trade and industry select committee, Mr Cook said that the privatisation was dependent on knowing the number of pits available, a figure which could not be stablished until the review

"It is presumably not pos-sible for you ask Parliament to approve the privatisation of British Coal until next spring and doubtful whether such a contentious measure could be concluded in this session."

Mr Cook said: "Another government timetable has been wrecked. Who is going to buy British Coal until they know how many pits ministers are going to keep open? Privatisation was the main reason why ministers were so keen to shut pits. The decision to halt closures must also be a decision to halt privatisation."

cy, which were previously regarded

as sacred, are no longer viewed in

the same light.
Two of the favourite D-notice old

chestnuts, keeping the names of

newly appointed heads of MI5 and

MI6 out of the newspapers, were unceremoniously discarded by the

prime minister himself when it was

unnounced in December last year

that Stella Rimington had been

chosen to be the next director-

general of MI5. The government

also acknowledged for the first time

that Sir Colin McColl was chief of

I armed forces minister, said in a

Commons written reply to David

Clark the shadow defence secretary.

that the review of the D-notice

esterday, Archie Hamilton, the

Lack of railway investment 'puts 15,000 jobs at risk'

BY MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT to end the uncertainty sur-

rounding rail investment in

April 1994, the survey targes ministers to throw a lifetime to

the rail supply industry by

authorising the more urgent

rail schemes in the Chancel-

The survey, which was car-ried out by transport consul-tants Steer Davies Gleave on

behalf of Europunnel and the

pressure group Transport 2000, warns that without

lor's Autumn Statement.

FIFTEEN thousand jobs will railway supply industry withseries of long-overdue rolling stock, track, and signalling schemes, according to a survey published today.

Failure to authorise the investment schemes, many of which are urgently needed to replace old British Rail equipment, could lead to the collapse of whole sections of the rail supply industry, forcing future rail operators to buy their equipment from abroad,

Straw: UK "becoming a second-rate nation"

Labour

seeks to

revive

housing

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THE Labour leadership will

this morning put forward proposals aimed at reviving

the housing market after yesterday highlighting official

figures showing a low relative

level of public investment in

Jack Straw, Labour's shad-

ow environment secretary.

cited statistics produced by the

Organisation for Economic

Co-operation and Develop-

ment, showing that the British

government has been invest-

ing less per head in housing.

construction and infrastruc-

ture (including transport) than in almost all other leading

On the basis of gross capital

formation by central govern-

ment as a percentage of gross

domestic product. Britain lags

behind other large European

countries, well behind Japan

and is only ahead of the United States. Public invest-

ment in housing dropped

sharply during the 1980s but

that was partly because of a

deliberate shift in government

policy to investment in hous-

ing by the private sector.

Mr Straw said the figures

starkly illustrate how Britain

is fast becoming a second-rate

nation with an increasingly Third World feel about much

of its urban areas. It would be a monumental social and

economic folly for the British

government now to cut public.

The package to be an-nounced today reflects the recognition by Labour leaders

that they need to offer their

own alternative policies as well

as criticising the government.

investment"

system would be completed by next

The D-notice which is a purely discretionary system, has existed for

80 years. It was started in 1912, at

the time of spy mania in Britain

before the first world war, when the

Admiralty feared that details of

warship construction were reaching

The number of occasions on

which a D-notice has been waved at

newspaper editors and television

producers, hot with a story that

might endanger national security,

has been rare. Editors have always

had the choice of ignoring Admiral

World in Action produced a pro-

gramme which technically breached

the D-notice system by alleging

In 1980, Granada Television's

Higgins' advice.

industrialised countries.

infrastructure in Britain.

the survey says.

Calling on the government

additional orders, no new trains will be built in Britain after 1995. In addition, orders BR sell-off will create work, minister predicts

By Robert Morgan, Parliamentary Staff

THE prospect of more jobs on the railways was held out during Commons questions yesterday, when Roger Freeman, the public transport minister, said that privatisation of British Rail would lead to a "vigorous leasing marfreight trucks.

Mr Freeman said: The

market will develop naturally and will permit private sector franchises, and also those who provide and run rail freight services, to place orders for new rolling stock."

The minister said he hoped that, with the assistance of the financial markets, this ing market would develop-

in the same way as the leasing

markets for ships, buses and

He told MPs that there had been considerable interest

from private firms on taking up franchises to run passenger and freight services. Robert Adley, the Conservative chairman of the all-party transport select comm and opponent of privatisa-tion, is concerned about the speed with which the givern-ment is moving saying that it, was wrong to publish the privatisation bill before the paving hill at present be-fore the House of Lards, half

passed into law. the white paper on franchis-ing contained no information on the fundamental issue of harges. But Mr Freeman promised

him that there would be "very. thorough discussions" and said that detailed consideration of the bill would take "much of 1993".

for new track will run out in 1993, while orders for new railway signaling systems will rum out in 1994. David Gillan, the director of

the railway industry associ-ation, which represents 60 engineering and telecommunications companies dependent on the raily ishing off-orders placed at the end of the 1980s, and no new orders were in sight. Unless overdue investment schemes were approved soon, the sa-dustry could lose "up to 15,000 jobs over the next two

British Rail, which drew up stantial contraction in income needed to help finance the investment programme.

Plans to introduce an estimated 1,600 Networker ceaches to replace antiquated Network South East rolling stock were trimmed back to 150 coarses while a £750 million striposal to upgrade the ageing west coast mainline between hondon and Glasgive ambhinid a new generation of intercity 250 trains, had to be abandoned for the eable haure

r - Unless the government steps in to shore up the rail investment programme, in-cluding approval for the pro-posed Jubice line extension. between Green Park and Stratford via Canary Wharf, "large chunks of the railway manufacturing industry could disappear, never to reappear",

stricting days at sea, while the penalty for breaching a licence condition will be increased

Earl Howe said: "I know that there is widespread con-

that there is what special con-cern, and deep concern in the fishing industry, about the bill. It is said that days at sea

restrictions will ruin the liveli-

hoods of many fishermen. This is simply not true. He added that he hoped to table

another amendment to tackle

"quota hopping" by foreigh fishermen. If might be pos-sible to use satellite technology

to monitor complisher more closely, he said.
Future reductions in parts of

the fishing fleet to meet con-

servation targets could not be

ruled out. "But the figure of 30

per cent that has been widely

reported by representatives of

the industry is a considerable

from £5,000 to £50,000.



Debate demand

rejected

A Labour MP failed to get an emergency debate on the closure of a coal mine in his constituency on Friday night, de-spite undertakings by ministers lest week.

John Evans, MP for St Helens North, said that union officials at the Parkside colliery had been told on Friday morning that work at the pit would cease that evening This was in spite of undertakings during the pre-vious Wednesday's Commons debate that there would be genuine

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Betty Boothroyd, the Speaker, said the matter was not appropriate for an emergency debate.

Norris silent

Steve Norris, minister for London's transport, declined to be drawn on the timing of an announcement on the future of the extension of London Underground's Jubilee line. During transport questions, he said that such big projects had to meet two criteria - desirability and affordability. It was, he added, an excellent project and he hoped it would proceed, but the decision would be made by others on the basis of overall affordability.

£1.5m in tund

The government still has E1.5 million in its emergency fund set up to help pensioners caught up in the Maxwell pension fraud, Ann Widdecombe, a social security minister. said in a written reply. The to Maxwell-linked pension schemes had enabled payouts to 5.500 pensionand those detiring because of ill health whose paynaents were at risk.

Free trade

Amhony Nelson, Treasury economic secretary, said in written replies that he had no plans to introduce controls aimed at curbing currency speculators. It would restraints on UK-based banks when sterling was traded worldwide.

New peers

Harry Ewing, the former Labour MP for Falkirk East, and Gareth Williams, chairman of the Bar, were introduced in the Lords and took their seats on the Labour benches as Lord Ewing of Kirkford and Lord Williams of Mostyn.

In Parliament

Commons (2.30): Questions: defence; prime minister. Timerable motion on and conclusion of remaining stages of the Cardiff Bay barrage bill Lords (2.30): Judicial penstons and retirement bill. report stage, first day.

MPs to have veto on fishing curbs

By Robert Morgan, parliamentary staff. sea fish licence tribunal will be set up to consider appeals against icence conditions re-THE government has agreed in Brighton, fishermen dem-

onstrated just off the coast.

to give Parliament more control over its controversial plans to reduce the number of days fishermen will be allowed to stay at sea. Ministers have argued that

curbs are necessary in order to conserve fish stocks, but the fishing industry says that many fishermen would lose their livelihoods. So great is their anger that dozens of boats sailed up the Thames to Westminster during the summer in a demonstration of their views, and during the Conservative party conference Lynne Truss, page 16

weaknesses in British intelligence

in Hong Kong. The programme was justified by the television company

on the basis that it was in the public

The Defence Press and Broad-

casting Committee, which is made up of senior Whitehall officials and

representatives of the press and broadcasting organisations, said

yesterday that they had discussed

how the system might develop "in

the light of world events and of

government policy on greater

They agreed that there should be

thorough review of the whole

system. In September, John Wilson,

controller of editorial policy at the

BBC and a member of the commit-

tee, said the D-notice system was

"as benign as a toothless old dog".

In the Lords last night, Barl' Howe, an agriculture and fisheries minister, said the government would amend the sea fish (conservation) bill, currently before the upper House, so that an affirmative

resolution has to be put before both Houses every time the government intends to make overall reductions in days-at-The bill's main provision empowers ministers to impose

sea allocations. restrictions on the amount of time boats may spend at sea. A

Era of openness puts state secrecy's 'toothless old dog' on notice He said, however, that he was not in favour of getting rid of the system

> he committee is inviting institu-I tions and organisations to make comments before the end of the year. They are asked to write to: The Secretary. Defence Press and Broadcasting Committee, Room 2235, Ministry of Defence, Whitehall, London, SW1A 2HB.

> In his written reply. Mr Hamilton said the committee had decided to 'enlarge" its annual review of the

"It will consider the purpose, scope and operation of the system in the light of the changed internation-

al scene and of the government's Mr Hamilton said.

exaggeration, he said. Our aim is to start by freezing effort at last year's levels. This should not seriously affect levels of profitability and we believe that all fishermen will be able to take up their full entiflement of fish. Moreover, bshermen will continue to be permitted to transfer heences and will therefore have the opportunity to acquire additional days at sea if they wish." The minister added: "We must take action to ensure that we take no more fish from the sea than can be replaced by remaining stocks."

Danube dam project unleashes flood of recriminations



Antall: courting help from the EC

BY EVE ANN PRENTICE AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

APOCALYPTIC scenarios of en centre stage following the conflict and tension in Central Europe used to focus on military invasions, perhaps sparked by war in the Bal-kans. In reality, passions be-tween Hungary and Slovakia have been inflamed by a dangerously escalating dis-pute over water, electricity, the environment and the protection of nature.

Budapest and Bratislava are fiercely at odds over a proposed hydroelectric dam to divert the Danube, with both sides appealing to John Major, as current President of the EC Council of Ministers, to intercede. Hungary wants the dam stopped; Slovakia is determined to press ahead, partly because it insists the dam will generate needed dam is a symbol of the kind of Czechoslovak deputy prime national pride which has tak-

collapse of communism. Yesterday, on the eve of Mr Major's talks in London with the leaders of Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland the Visegrad Three - a defiant Slovakia began dumping huge lumps of conto make the construction of

the dam irreversible. The foreign ministry in Budapest yesterday conceded that it had "almost no chance" of stopping the dain because work was too far advanced. The London talks were supposed to concentrate on closer political and economic ties between the three central European countries and the EC. Jozsef Antall, the Hungar

ian prime minister, the

Hungary and Slovakia are dangerously at odds in a region already beset by ethnic rivalries. But appeals by both parties for EC backing are likely to fall on deaf ears

and the Polish prime minister, Hanna Suchocka - leaders of the Visegrad Three alliance - are also meeting

Slovakia began damming the Danube at the weekend to feed the Gabelkovo hydro-electric complex. The government of Vladimir Mediar, the Slovak prime minister, has vowed to complete the scheme before separating from the Czech republic on January 1.

Mr Antall described the Danube dam as "an attack on Hungary's borders". But Slovakia says it must undertake the work or face possible flooding and ecological catas-trophe. Hungary pulled out of

the £1-billion communist era hydro-electric project in 1989, saying it could cause an environmental catastrophe and flood ethnic Hungarian villages in southern Slovakia. Hungary and Slovakia have also accused each other of massing troops at the border and of pursuing nationalist

In Bonn, the german for-eign minister, Klaus Kinkel, yesterday urged Czechoslova-kia and Hungary to resolve support from the EC. "The row ... has sparked a new, utterly unnecessary crisis in Eastern Europe," he said.

HUNGARY

asked the foreign secretary Douglas Hurd, to urge the in the name of the 12 EC nations to search for agree-

"If the parties concerned take rash decisions and deal with such a serious matter as if it were a fait accompli, the good will (of the EC) will be

endangered," he said, "I ur gently recommend the gov-Budapest to accept the suggestions of the international

Janos Martonyi, state secretary in Hungary's foreign ministry, said yesterday: "The actual damming is now going on at a very fast speed." The

chances of stopping it were thin, he said, and he was pessimistic that the London talks would be able to strike a

last-disch agreement.

Mr Martonyi added: "It is not easy to build up and develop co-operation with a neighbour country which is seriously violating your bor-der, which is violating your territorial integrity." Hungary insists that the diversion of the river through a 24-mile canal to power the dam violates international law.

The Slovak foreign ministry offered some small comfort to Hungary yesterday, when it announced it would delay starting operations at the power station. But the ministry added it was "convinced the present situation is being unnecessarily dramatised, while unavoidable technical solutions are being presented as fatal polit-

Chancellor hopes to face down critics

Kohl's tax-rise plan angers CDU faithful

FROM PATRICK MOSER IN BONN

AT THE risk of unleashing a storm within his own ranks. Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, announced yesterday a plan to raise taxes and hinted that the levies could be imposed before the 1995 deadline he had set earlier.

He delivered his fighting speech at the opening of a three-day congress of his Christian Democratic Union in Düsseldorf, held against the background of an increasingly grim economic outlook for the country. Herr Kohl's credibility had already taken a severe battering over his U-turn last year on his previous electoral pledge not to increase taxes to pay for German unification. This time he is being cau-

EC AGRICULTURE minis-ters yesterday failed to lift the

cloud which hangs over the world trade talks, and brought

the prospect of swingeing US sanctions against European

in public at least, the minis-

ters refused to isolate France,

which is the main protagonist

on the Community side in the

transatlantic dispute over farm

subsidies. How long French

protectionism will be tolerated

by other EC members remains

to be seen, but yesterday Jean-Pierre Soisson, the French

agriculture minister, was confident he had won over his colleagues, adding. There is now broad enough agreement not to conclude a deal before

the US presidential elections."

He was supported by

Laurits Toernaes, his Danish

counterpart, who predicted

farm produce nearer.

tious and is addressing the critical issue well in advance of national elections and can only hope the storm will have died down by the time voters are called to the polls in two years' time. The unenthusiastic reception given to the announcement by the 1,000 delegates at the start of the party congress may well be only a slight measure of the confrontation yet to come.

Many CDU members, in rare criticism of their party chairmen, voiced a strong opposition to the plan for a "unification" tax increase. Beyond the CDU ranks, Herr Kohl's plans has also been criticised by the other two parties in the ruling coalition,

ber 3: Although Community trade issues can be resolved by majority voting in the Council of Ministers, the thought of

isolating France has yet to be entertained. On Sunday night

in Paris, Joseph Walsh, the

Irish agriculture minister, said

his government was not far

Economists estimate that a

the EC has described a Gatt

accord as a priority, but has seen its efforts undone by the

sensitivity of the French gov-

ernment to the nation's power-

The American negotiators have told the Community that

they want to see a 24 per cent

reduction in the volume of

European subsidised exports

on world markets, coupled

with a reduction of oil-seed

production in the EC.

ful farm lobby.

from the French position.

French confident of

backing on Gatt line

FROM TOM WALKER IN LUXEMBOURG

the Christian Social Union and the Free Democrats. Theo Waigel, the finance minister and CSU chairman, has had some tough words for the proposal already, saying that the entire tax debate was useless and harmful to the economy. The opposition Social Democrats described the plan as another tax lie. Herr Kohl said that he was

determined to put the cards on blows after the 1990 federal election - this will not happen to me again," he said. But he did not say how, or when, the new tax would be levied.

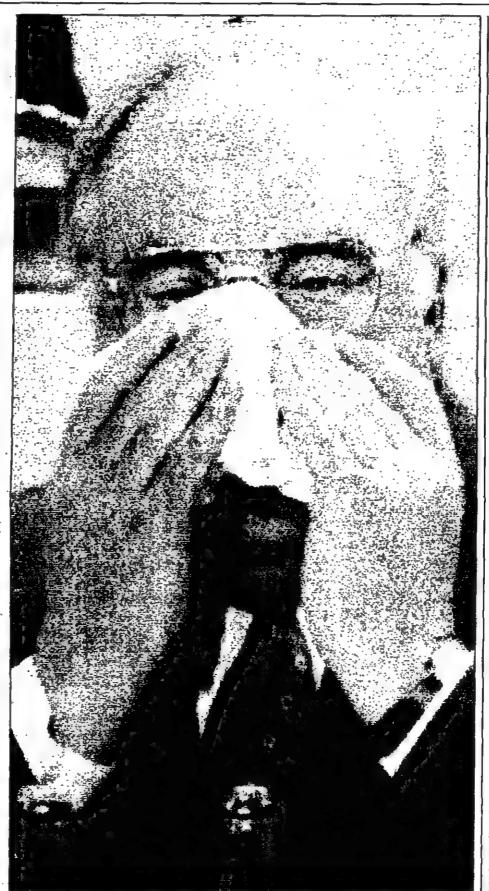
He called for cuts in federal subsidies, savings by the federal and local governments and urged trade unions to make only moderate pay increase demands, saying that the cost of rebuilding the eastern Ger-man economy was far higher than anyone had espected.

The western German economic picture is also looking far gloomier. The semi-official council of economic advisers will announce today that the economy will grow by only 1.5 per cent or less next year, rather than the 2.5 per cent that had been predicted earlier. Inflation is expected to run at 4 per cent, double the target

set by the Bundesbank. Late yesterday, the CDU reelected Herr Kohl as party chairman with 856 of the 936 valid votes, or 91.45 per cent of the total.

Meanwhile, Mrs Sadako

new Gatt deal could swell the global economy by up to \$200 billion a year, helping lift the developed world out of reces-sion. The British presidency of Ogata, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees. awarded a medal to President von Weizsäcker for his commitment to refugees and for his actions against racism, intolerance and xenophobia. Herr von Weizsäcker is one of the few leading political per-sonalities in Germany who visited hostels for asylum seekers that have been the target of right-wing violence. The president will also be the patron of a big demonstration in Berlin on November 8 to protest against neo-Nazi violence.



Kohl remedy: the German chancellor finds a breathing space yesterday at the Christian Democratic Union congress in Düsseldorf

Lithuanian old guard heading for victory

FROM ROLANDAS BARYSAS IN VIUNIUS

FORMER communists yes-terday looked set for a surprise victory in Lithuania's first post-Soviet parliamentary elections and their leader extended an olive branch to the nationalist opposition.

Returns released by the election commission showed the Democratic Labour Party had won 46.57 per cent of votes and at least 35 of 70 seats in the proportionally-elected half of parliament. In the other half, where 71 deputies are being elected by a first-past-the-post system, the DLP won ten seats out of 14 constituencies where a definite victory has been registered.

Its main opponents from the nationalist Sajudis movement, led by Vytautas Landsbergis, the president and parliament chairman, won 18 seats in the proportionally-elected part of the legislature and only one seat so far in the other part. In 39 other constituencies, where the result of voting was inconclusive, a second round will be held within two weeks, mostly between DLP and Sajudis candidates. Results in 16 oth-

ers have not yet been counted. "It was a surprise for me," said Algirdas Brazauskas, the DLP leader and former communist president. "People have given their support to realistic moderate forces."

Dr Landsbergis, a former music professor who led Lithu-ania's painful battle for independence from Moscow, accepted defeat. "I must state that this party [DLP] has found means to win voters over," he said. The DLP made clear during the election campaign it wanted to replace Dr Landsbergis with its own candidate as parliament speaker.

A popular referendum held simultaneously with parlia-mentary elections approved in general the Baltic state's new constitution and set the stage for a presidential election early next year, likely to be contested by Dr Landsbergis and Mr Brazauskas. (Reuter)

NEWS IN BRIEF Town near to capture by Serbs

Sarajevo: Bosnian Serbs said they were poised to seize the Muslim-held town of Jajce, while commanders of Bosnia's three warring armies pre-pared to start face-to-face talks

in Sarajevo. Colonel Milutin Vukelic, a Bosnian Serb officer, told the Serb news agency: "It is a matter of hours before a Serb flag is hoisted over Jajoe." His assessment could not be confirmed independently, but Tanjug, the Belgrade-based news agency, said that Serb forces had entered parts of Jajce, a town of about 40,000 people northwest of Sarajevo. and were involved in hand-tohand fighting in the

streets. (Reuter)
Michael Evans, page 14

Spying charge

Bonn: A man who had been a worker for the Social Democrats in West Germany for 20 years was charged with spying for the East German secret police. He had been in charge of the party's foreign affairs files. (AFP)

Lomé paralysed

Lome: A strike call by opposition parties, trade unions and professional bodies paralysed the Togolese capital in protest at the army's show of strength against interim authorities during which MPs were held at gunpoint (AFP)

Dancer dies

Paris: The American choreographer Jerome Andrews, a pioneer of modern dance and a former dancing partner of Martha Graham, has died, aged 84, friends said. Andrews settled in Paris in the early 1950s. (AFP)

Old glory

Dallas: Curtis McKinney, a geologist from Knapsville, Illinois, claimed that a woman's remains discovered in Texas in 1953 are 11,600 years old, making them the oldest human bones yet found in the Americas. (AP)

that no more progress would be made on the trade talks this year, and certainly not before the American poll on Novem-Baby talk

Paris pops By Charles Bremner

tops the

A FOUR-year-old Paris boy with record-producer parents has been at the top of the French charts for the past two weeks, selling more than 200,000 copies of a novelty song about the rigours of babyhood.

The state

Jordy Lemoine, a blond midget with a talent for performance, chants a rap-like lyric called Dur, Dur d'être Bébé ("It's tough being a baby") on a single and video which have grabbed the attention of young record-buyers in France and Belgium. A British version is to come out before Christmas.

Claude Lemoine, a 28-yearold record producer, and his wife Patricia, a radio announcer, say they discovered their son's musical gifts when he picked up a microphone in their studio and began imitatsingers. While bringing delight to teeny-boppers, their has brought some criticism from disc jockeys and pop critics. Allegations of exploitation have been aimed at the video especially because of a scene in which the toddler is shown hugging a little black

Le Who's Who cobbles up a dignitary By CHARLES BREMNER

IN LATE October the French literary prizes start falling like autumn leaves. From the great Goncourt through slightly lesser awards to ob scure provincial laurels, book awards — 1.500 in all —

that ambitious authors are

snapping up a guide on how First out this year was the Académie française which has just awarded its honour to Franz-Oliver Giesbert for L'Affreux (The Hideous One). This narrowly squeezed out the favourite, Charles et Camille by Frederic Vitoux. The judgment of the immortals has been followed by the traditional round of sniping. M Giesbert, or "FOG" as he is known, writes novels in his spare time from editing Le Figure. The newspaper's board, it happens, is headed by an academician. Alain

Peyrefitte, and regular col-umnists include a dais full of his fellow immortals. From their hallowed palace on the Seine, the academicians have been defending their choice. "We did not spare a thought for the newspaper that M Giesbert belongs to," protested Michel Droit, a man of letters LETTER FROM

who is also a long-serving Le Figuro writer.
Winning the Académie prize disqualifies you for the gleaming pinnacle of the Goncourt, but by tradition it paves your way to eventual election to the august

Académie itself. However, M.



Giesbert, 43, might prefer one of the two rival schemes for a grandiose new academy. This would be an assembly not just of the most illustrious French but of the "greatest minds" of the

world, or of Europe. It would, of course, be based in Paris.

A more attainable bonour than membership of the French academy is inclusion in Le Who's Who in France.

week, leaves out 507 former names and includes 711 new ones, bringing chagrin to many. The new arrivals include Claire Chazal, a television presenter, and the restaurateur Pierre Troisgros, but the biggest surprise is that 15 of the 20,000

biographies are fiction. Antoine Hébrard, the editor, says his team invented the lives of seemingly worthy men of letters, academics, and businessmen as bait to trap pirates and mailing services. They attached the biographies to consenting real names, including M Hébrard's former concierge. She, for example, features as a male captain of industry who went to the right schools. Another name is a Paris cobbler. One phantom

dignitary lists his hobbies as

"collecting aseless papers"

and another once worked as a "lollipop taster in a clandestine sweet factory".
The Who's Who team has

most fun making up literary awards and bonours, says M Hébrard. One is decorated with the "Chevalier de l'Étoile Noir (Knight of the Black Star)" and another won the apparently bibulous prize of "Etoile du Grand Marnier". "These are mostly people with no responsi-bility, has-beens," says M Hébrard, and they work wonders. Anyone who lists these names or sends an offer through the post is immed-iately warned that they have illegally lifted the list.

When it comes to checking people's accounts of their lives, the French Who's Who is rigorous. Entrants have to submit copies of birth certifi-cates and proof of academic credentials. The favourite ground for pretension is bogus nobility, M Hébrard says. "There have been gentlemen who have been 'counts' for 20 years and our committee has checked, and we tell them, 'you don't have the right to the title', so we do away with it. When they read their entry they find them-selves just Monsieur et Madame but we never get any

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Israel strikes back at Lebanon targets

Rabin says attacks jeopardising talks

By Richard Beeston in jerusalem and Our Foreign Staff

YITZHAK Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, sharply criticised his Arab negotiating partners yesterday, blaming Syria, Lebanon and the Pales-tinians for the sudden spiral of violence which left six Israeli soldiers dead on Sunday.

As Israeli gunners and heli-copter gunships pounded Shia Muslim villages in southern Lebanon, Mr Rabin said that Israel would respond with a "fist of iron" to any attacks on its security. On Sunday, five Israeli soldiers died when their vehicle was hit by a roadside explosive charge in southern Lebanon, placed by pro-Iran-ian fundamentalist Hezbollah guerrillas. Another soldier was shot dead by a Palestinian militant of the Hamas organ-Isation in the West Bank town

Speaking in the Knesset, Mr Rabin blamed Lebanon and Syria for allowing Hezbollah guerrillas to operate freely against Israeli positions in southern Lebanon, while talking peace with Israeli delegations in Washington. He attacked the Palestinians for endangering the peace process, and gave a warning that they would be left with nothing unless they haited their campaign of violence. "If you continue to inflame

hatred and terrorism, if you continue to pull the trigger—a pity, a pity. Yours will be a bitter fate," said Mr Rabin, who is also defence minister.

The outburst appeared to reflect genuine frustration in the Labour-led administration which, after 100 days in office, has failed to move the peace talks forward significantly and is now struggling to contain the growing violence, which has led to several demonstrations against the government. Mr Rabin's warnings and Israel's military response did little to appease right-wing hardliners who have accused his administration of provoking violence because of its conciliatory attitude at the negotiating table. Ron Nach-

man, the mayor of the West

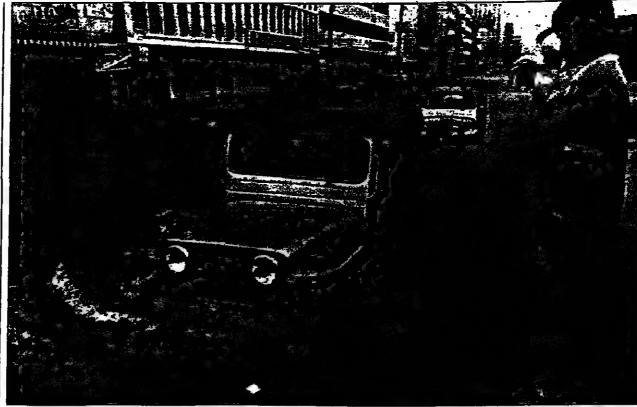
Ariel and a Likud member of the Knesset, accused Mr Rabin of going back on his election pledge to safeguard the country's security. Mr Rabin's dilemma has

been exacerbated by rising tensions within his government, which faces the first of several no-confidence motions in the coming days. The Labour-led government, with a slim 62-seat majority in the 120-member assembly, is showing signs of strain because of a feud between the two junior coalition partners, the left-wing Meretz party and the ultra-orthodox Shas.

After yesterday's raids by the helicopter gunships. Israeli planes attacked guerrilla targets in southern Lebanon, supplementing shelling by ar-tillery and tanks in retaliation for Sunday's guerrilla opera-tion. Jets fired rockets at targets in the Hezbollah-held village of Arab Salim and in villages on a ridge southeast of

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Flooded with offers: residents watch four-wheel-drive taxis negotiating an inundated street in Manila yesterday, in the hope that they will stall and need to pay for a push, after Typhoon Colleen hit the Philippines.

Winds gusting to 75 mph struck the eastern coastline just north of the capital, but appeared to have spared the devastated areas around the volcanic Mount Pinatubo. A spokeswoman for the Philippines volcanology and

mountain did not appear heavy enough to trigger mudflows. The storm brought heavy rain to the flooding. Frading was halted for the day on the Manila stock exchange, an

ne Airlines cancelled in

Cooperation between

Aerospatiale and British

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carrier was reported missing and femed lost in the western Pacific. The Lloyd's casualty reporting ser-sice in London said that the Daeyang Honey, with a crew of 25 South Koreans, disappeared after being re-ported close to the track of the typhoon southwest of Guam four days ago. The vessel was on its way to Mizushimilio Japan with 122,720 towner of non

clintor **Tourists** get Upper Egypt warnings

FROM CHRISTOFHER WALKER

THE embassies of Britain, the United States and Attachalia warned their citizens yesterday to keep out of Muslim extremist strongholds in Upper Eygpt, where tourists have become targets for fundamentalists.

The finee embassies said fite advice did not apply to the main tourists sites in Upper man tourses such as Lonor and Assian. The warmings came despite effects by the Egyptian government to play down the new Islamas, campaign against its tourist industry. The advice came after the killing of a Briton and the

killing of a Briton and the wounding of two others when their safari vehicle was attacked last week near the town of Dayrut, about 170 miles south of Cairo. On Sunday, three Russian tourists were subtrent by a Muslim militant m Port Said.

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The extreme el-Gamaa el-Islandes, which had warned tourists in September to avoid Upper Egypt, claimed responsibility for the Dayrut ambush. It said that tourists had become its second priority target after prominent Egyptians in a campaign to secure an Islande state.

Aithough Limor has been excluded from the travel advice, the Karnak temple has been attacked by Islamic bombers and a tourist bus was bombed near the city. The Islamic extremists have said their campaign extends to pharaonic antiquities, which

they dismiss as "pagan relics". The American embassy said resterday: "The government has cautioned American citizens against travelling to Menya and Assiut provinces, particularly the town of Daynut and surrounding areas. Dayrut has been the scene of repeated clashes be-tween Islamic militants and the security forces and Egypt's Copie Christian minority in

recent months. The British embassy said that it had issued a "travel advice" to its citizens emphasising that there have been repeated violent incidents in Upper Egypt in the past two months. On October 2, militants opened fire on a Nile cruise boat carrying 140 three members of the Egyp-

tian crew.

Yesterday, the police claimed that they had arrested a youth aged 17 suspected of involvement in last week's attack that killed Sharon Hill. 28, a nurse from Gloucester. They said that the secondary school pupil was being ques-tioned after tourists from the attacked vehicle picked him out as the youth they saw whistling a signal to hidden gummer. A police source said that the security forces were still hunting two men suspected of carrying out the ambush.

Inkatha 'is facing genocide'

said yesterday that genocide was being used in South Airica against its followers after the killing at the weekend

of at least 20 people.

President de Klerk exressed shock at the killings and appealed to Mangosuffm Buthelezi, the Inkatha leader, and his maje rival, Nelson Mandela, the passident of the Andrean National Congress, to

hold peace talks.

Political analysts said that the two mass killings at the weekend in Natal could provoke yet more violence in the province, the scene of endemic including between including and the ANC.

Women and children and supporters of the Zulu-fased Inicatha were among those shot on Saturday in Moushini snot on Sasarday in Mpusnim reserve by men armed with AK47 rifles. Inkatha said 24 people were killed, while police put the figure at 20. At least ax ANC supporters were killed by unidentified attackers in Polwent township

tackers in Folwent township near by on Friday evening.
Inhatha, said there were suspicious that the ANC's armed wing carried out the Mpushimi raid. "The killings certainly follow a pattern of massacres in which ANC neople have been involved."

The ANC said that the attackers should be proport to attackers should be brought to justice (Reuter)



A little paranoia keeps you saner

By MICHAEL HAMLYN

IN CAPE Town they call it paranoid does not mean you are not being followed. My colleague, Ross Dunn, who writes for The Daily Telegraph and The Age in Melbourne, was stugged at the weekend in the centre of town in a crowded street outside a cinema thronged with people It was the fourth time he has been mugged in the city since he arrived

three years ago.
The United Nations peace observers have fared even worse. Ten of them make their headquarters in one of the two posts hotels in the centre of town. Four of them have been mugged only yards from the hotel's front door. They arrived here a month ago. ...When you first move to

Johannesburg, your neigh-bours vie with one another to tell horror stories of the awful things that happened to them or their friends at the hands of robbers or burglars. The daily papers (particularly the more right leaning ones) report each day on the farmers who are found bludgeoned in their isolated homesteads or the pensioners left lying in their kitchens

after a visit from local Now that summer is upon us and the tempera-

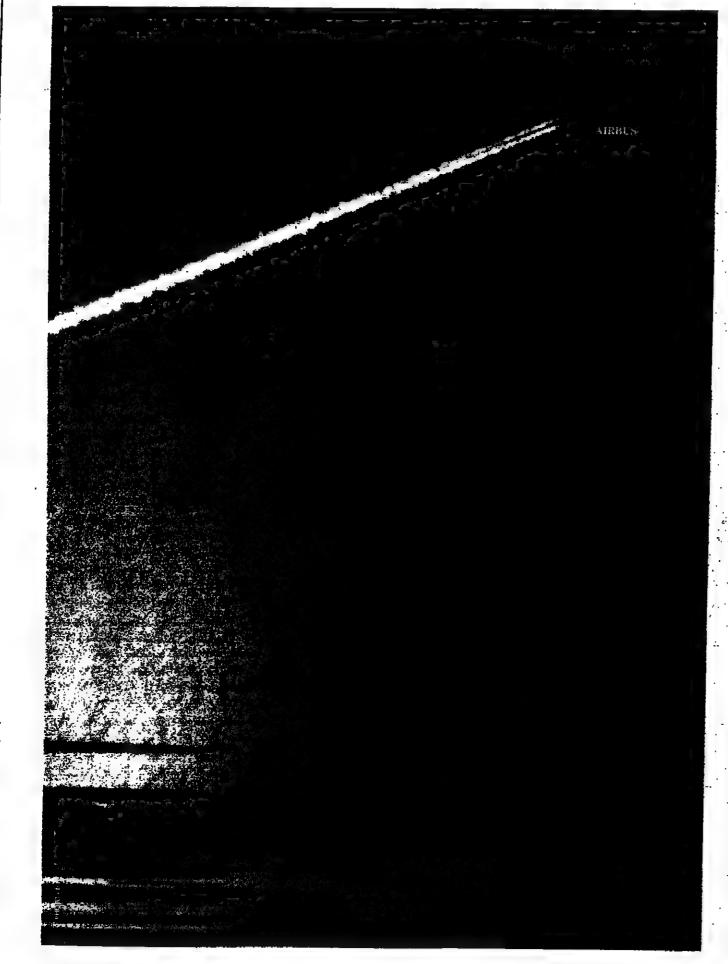
tures are hitting the mid-80s every day and Sunday lunch has moved outdoors, the conversation around the braai, the South African barbecue, turns regularly to the security devices available to homeov The insurance company will not pay out on theft unless there are burglar bars on all windows and

doors, and your house be-gins to look like a jail. Most depressing of all is the ironbarred gate that isolates the sleeping quarters from the rest of the house, the socalled "rape gate".

A friend has now left

Johannesburg and moved to Hermanus in the Cape, a delightful seaside resort. His family never even lock their house, far less put bars on the windows. However, all cannot be

sweetness and ease, even in the Cape. Robert Raschke. the correspondent for Australian Broadcasting was hijacked at gunpoint at the corner of Adderley and Longmarket streets in the heart of town. He was kept for three and a half hours



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Clinton win would strain special relationship with Britain



Christopher: possible

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

big Irish-American lobby that

Westminster-brokered talks

failed, and would probably

governors to adopt the

MacBride principles, which compel US companies in Northern Ireland to adopt stringent measures to avoid anti-Catholic discrimination.

He would attach weight to

Amnesty International and Helsinki Watch reports on abuses "by the security forces as well as other forces in

Northern Ireland". Because of

the special relationship, "we've

been a little too reluctant to

express our feelings in a

positive way", he said. But

AFTER 12 years of symbionic conservative governments in . Britain and America, the "special relationship" will face new tests if Bill Clinton becomes US president next Tuesday.

The Democrat has taken positions on several issues during the campaign that conflict with British interests, and London has already begun expressing its concerns to Mr Clinton's subordinates. According to his manifesto, Putting people first, Mr Clinton would support congressional legislation to revoke China's preferential trading status in the absence of drastic reference. reforms. That prospect may send shivers down the octoge-narian spines of Peking's ger-omtocracy, but also alarms Hong Kong, which would lose an estimated \$16 billion (£9.9 billion) in business each year and up to 60,000 jobs.

The fourth of a series of articles Mr Clinton told New York's examining US election issues looks at the he would appoint a peace envoy to Northern Ireland if possible effect of a Democratic victory on foreign policy and British interests

> London would consider any of the above unfriendly acts.

give Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein leaders: 2 visa to enter America for what would un-doubtedly be more than a vacation. He would urge state Britain's future ability to test and therefore modernise its nuclear deterrent may well rest on next week's result. Mr Clinton's manifesto suggests he would support recent congressional legislation barring all nuclear testing on US soil after 1996. Britain has nowhere else to test.

Mr Clinton also plans to extract \$45 billion over four years from foreign corpora-tions in America, many of them British, by cracking down on alleged tax evasions. Independent analysts believe those evasions occur on noth-

Finally he has suggested he would pursue investigations into possible Iranian and Syrian complicity in the Lockerbie bombing. The Bush administration, with London's apparent agreement, has said that it has found no evidence of such complicity, blaming Libya For the most part, foreign

policy has barely featured in a campaign dominated by America's domestic problems, Mr Clinton famously devoting just 72 words to the subject in his convention speech. But where it has surfaced, the candidates' relative positions have been surprising

This year it has been the



Democrat accusing the Republican of snuggling up to communist leaders, the Democrat who has argued for more robust military intervention in Bosnia. Mr Clinton contends that Mr Bush has failed to respond to the end of the Cold war. America no longer needed to support authoritarian regimes just because they were anti-Soviet or to subordinate its interests and values to the preservation of stability. He

has promised much stronger support for nascent democracy movements. "From the Baltics to Beijing, from Sarajevo to South Africa, time after time this president has sided with the status quo over democratic change, with familiar tyrants rather than those who would overthrow them, with the old geography of repression rather than the new map of freedom," he said, ignoring that more than 40 countries have embraced democracy

during the Bush years. Mr Clinton has pledged to fight much harder for America's economic interests overseas and "change the State Department's culture so that economics is no longer a poor cousin to old-school diplomacy". America had to be economically strong to provide global leadership, and he would create an economic security council akin to the National Security Council.

The end of the Cold war has also healed divisions between Democratic hawks and the doves who feared that any overseas military intervention would quickly escalate into a superpower conflict. This has enabled Mr Clinton to evade the usual charge that Democrats are "soft on defence". He force if necessary, where pos sible through international coalitions.

He has also promised to push forward the Middle East peace talks, but the Arab countries would not trust his administration as they do Mr Bush's. Mr Clinton is staunchly pro-Israel.

Possible secretaries of state in a Clinton administration include Warren Christopher, deputy Secretary of State under President Carter, and Lee Hamilton, a senior member of the House foreign

Perot accuses Bush team of dirty tricks

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

BILL Clinton, clearly per-turbed by Ross Peror's late surge, has for the first time begun to attack the Texas independent, but his subtle change of tactics was almost completely overshadowed yesterday by Mr Peror's bizarre new allegations of Republican

In a Sunday night television programme Mr Perot claimed he had dropped out of the presidential race for 11 weeks to protect his daughter, Carolyn. He said the Bush campaign had been planning to disrupt her wedding in August and to produce doctored photographs of her head on somebody else's body.

"I finally concluded that I, as a father who adores his children, could not take that risk. And since the wedding was on a finite date, I made the decision that I would step aside," he said. Another of Mr Perot's four daughters, Suzanne McGee, told The New York Times that her father believed the Republicans were going to spread the story that

Carolyn was a lesbian.
Mr Perot further claimed to have obtained a videotape of a senior Republican official meeting a former CIA officer on a Dallas park bench to discuss the wiretapping of his Dallas headquarters and ways to sabotage his company's computer stock trading pro gramme. "I could not believe that anyone representing the President of the US would stoop to these lows ... This is Watergate II," he said.

Senior Bush campaign officials ridiculed the charges. Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, setting the tone by calling them "prepos-terous", "crazy" and "total nonsense", but Mr Perot appeared to renew them

Striding into the middle of a press briefing at his headquar-ters, he angrily denounced the media's "twisted, slanted" coverage of his statements the previous night and said the

polls yesterday to vote on a package of political reforms

designed to end months of

constitutional wrangling and

debate that have left the coun-

try bitter, divided and bored.

But the latest polls indicate that the so-called Charlotte-

town accord will be rejected in

French-speaking Quebec and

the western province of British Columbia. Alberta and Sas-

katchewan also appear likely

to vote "no", and in Ontario,

the Canadian industrial heart-

land, surveys have been indi-

Any constitutional changes

must be approved by all ten

provincial legislatures, and it

is highly unlikely that MPs

would press ahead with the

package if it were rejected by

their constituents. Brian Mulroney, the Canadian

prime minister and chief pro-

ponent of the "yes" vote, has

said that a rejection by any one

province would signal the

The reform process, con-

cluded in August at Charlotte-

town, Prince Edward Island,

began as an effort to head off

the threat of secession by

francophone Quebec but

gradually expanded to offer

concessions to a wide array of territory.

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Canadian reforms

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FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN MONTREAL

CANADIANS went to the competing interest groups. The result is a comprehensive

The billionaire's conspiracy theory has backfired badly. Most commentators described his claims as "cranky"

fact that President Bush had cancelled a meeting with him to discuss them suggested they were true. For good measure he added that an unidentified hit team had once been chased from his estate.

But the billionaire said he could not prove his allega-tions, which were totally at odds with his stated reasons for dropping out on July 16. He said at that time that the Democratic Party had revitalised itself, he could not win and did not want to be just a

Some commentators suggested the whole bizarre ep sode was an attempt by Mr Perot to win back earlier supporters disillusioned by his abrupt departure from the race, but the tactic had backfired badly. Most US newspapers yesterday alluded to Mr Perors well-documented obsession with conspiracy theories. Few gave much credence to the charges and most painted him as cranky.

Mr Clinton, recalling that

the Texan had once investigated the business affairs of the Bush sons, told one rally that "now we've got this bizarre situation where Bush and Perot have accused each other of investigating each other's children . . . I want to investigate your children, their problems, their promise, their

In Michigan, Mr Clinton portrayed himself as the only practical alternative" to Mr Bush, the only candidate who had ever balanced a budget, taken on lobbyists, and made a "really good choice" for vice-

Perot charges, page I Anthony Howard, page 16 Bush photograph, page 20

but unwieldy document that

has fully satisfied few, angered

By its terms, Quebec would

be recognised as a "distinct society" within the Canadian confederation, its language and customs would be protect-

ed, and a quarter of the seats

in the Canadian House of

Commons would be granted.

to the province in perpetuity.

The upper house, the Senate,

would be reformed in defer-

ence to demands from the

western provinces and Cana-

da's 700,000 indigenous peo-

ples would be guaranteed the

"inherent right to self-

Many in Quebec believe the

package does not offer suffi-

cient safeguards for their jeal-

ously guarded French culture and identity. Other provinces

argue that Quebec has unfairly been singled out for special

treatment and Canada's Indi-

an and Inuit (Eskimo) tribes

are divided between those who

regard the reforms as a consti-tutional breakthrough and

others who resent the intru-

sion of the Canadian govern-

ment into what they already regard as their sovereign

government".

some and confused many.

Third programme: Ross Perot greets an estimated 10,000 crowd at the fairgrounds in Flemington. New Jersey, where he said voting for him would not be a waste

'Betrayal by third man irks **Oregon**

By Ben Macintyre

The state of Oregon, where L the western prairies meet the forests and mountains of the Pacific coast, is a place of contrasts and contradictions. The urban sprawl of cities such as Portland, Eugene and Salem alternates with swaths of semi-desert and dense

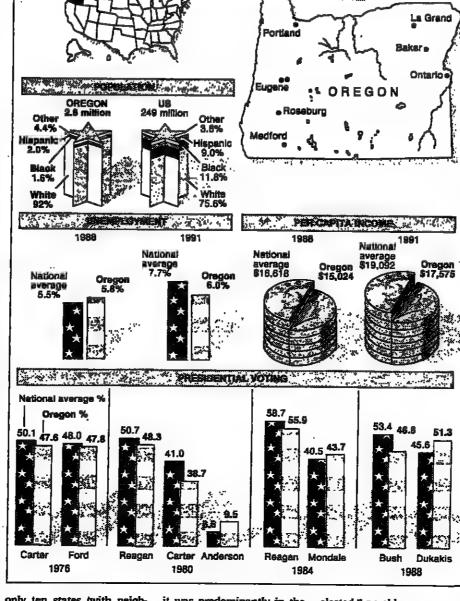
woodland. And die-hard liberal Democrats live cheekby jowl with traditionally bedrock Republicans.

Oregon has the fewest churches of any state in America, but a hard core of politically adept Christian fundamentalists. Ecological awareness is probably more developed here than anywhere in the country, but those who put jobs before the environment are also more entrenched. Oregonians see breed, less worldly than those to the south and more cosmo-politan than their northern neighbours.

A state with a long liberal tradition in government is voting this year on one of the most illiberal measures to appear on a state ballot the notorious "Measure 9", which would declare homosexuality unnatural and perverse and remove constitutional safeguards for homosexual men and women.

But it is a sign of how far Bill Clinton is in the ascendancy that, for all the conflicting forces at play in Oregon, the state looks certain to vote overwhelmingly for the Dem-ocratic candidate. The latest opinion polls give Mr Clinton 59 per cent of the vote, a lead of some 25 percentage points over President Bush.

In every poll in the past month, the gap has never dropped below 15 points and even surveys by Bob Pack-wood, the incumbent Republican senator, have shown the Clinton-Al Gore ticket more than 20 per cent ahead, with the result that Mr Packwood is studiously distancing himself from the Bush campaign and Democratic candidates for senate and congress are scrambling for a ride on the Clinton campaign's coat-tails. In 1988, Oregon was one of



US ELECTION: THE BATTLEGROUND STATES

only ten states (with neighbouring Washington) to vote for Michael Dukakis, the Democratic candidate. Since then demographic, political and above all economic changes have accelerated a trend towards the Democrats and eroded Republican support; for while this state has weathered the recession better than some, the economy is still frail.

But what seemed a foregone conclusion for the Democtats was, albeit briefly. thrown into doubt by the candidature of Ross Perot. whose support during the May primary in Oregon was spectacular. Mr Perot clipped many votes from the Republicans but still more from the Democrats. Although some urban liberals flirted briefly with the Texan businessman.

it was predominantly in the suburban and rural areas that Mr Perot struck a chord.

M r Perot's political shooting from the hip evoked widespread admiration in one-gas-pump timber towns such as Lyons in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains, where calling a spade a spade is the main form of conversation. "I thought, here is a man I can trust," Sally Hamilton said as she herded three children with identical Perot haircuts down Lyons's main (indeed, only) street. "He looked like my Pa." Many residents speak with anger of the day when Mr Perot decided to drop out of the race. At the

town soda fountain, they talk bitterly of betrayal. "If he

ain't straight before he gets

elected," an older man wearing dungarees and muttonchop whiskers said, "what'd

he be like afterwards?" With Mr Perot now back in the race and running hard. some of the lost ground may be retrievable, but in Oregon at least it is probably too late to have much effect on the outcome. Mr Clinton's understandable confidence is perhaps shown in his decision this week to make only one rapid campaign stop in Oregon in the course of his western tour.

Oregon's seven electoral votes may make little difference in the final result, but set in the context of what seems to be a general trend towards the Democrats on the West Coast, the portents for the

Student exam cheat is jailed

FROM JAMIE DETTMER

A STUDENT who was sentenced to six months imprisonment last week for lying to a court about how he cheated in a university entrance examination is appeal for a reduction in his term.

Laurence Adler, 19, who is the first American student to be prosecuted in a university cheating case, admitted last April that he had paid a friend \$200 (£125) to take his college entrance exam for Syracuse University. But before confessing, he had brought a civil action against the country's Educational Testing Service after it had cancelled his

fraudulent exam scores. Adler, who is now in his first term at Florida's Lynn University, is no stranger to publicity. He received world-wide press attention at the age of 14 for his precocious business acumen.

The court in Rockville, Maryland, heard last week from character witnesses how fame went to his head and how he had founded several firms, made tens of thousands of dollars and lived the life of a high-roller with a chauffeurdriven limousine.

The court heard from Adler's sister. Sharon, that their father's suicide had forced the whole family to work hard. She said that in his teens, her brother was "living the lifestyle of a 40-year-old".

According to a psychologist who gave evidence. Adler was "manipulative and crying out for love". He had learned a "lot of bad things at a tender age" from unscrupulous business partners and two "substitute lather figures" who had sexually abused him, said Dr Harry Olson.

Matthew Campbell, deputy state attorney, told Judge Paul Weinstein that Adler should be punished. "He manipulated all of us who believe in the laws he has scorned."

Judge Weinstein agreed, unmoved by Adler's problems. He said that the six-month jail sentence and three years probation was designed to send a message to all students. "Frankly, Mr Adler, you have been conning people all your life." the judge said. "The con comes to an end today."

NEWS IN BRIEF **UK admits** secret exchanges

London: Whitehall denied yesterday that a secret deal had been made with China over Hong Kong's constitutional future. But it admitted that British ministers and officials carried on extensive unpublished diplomatic exchanges with Peking in 1990 on the arrangements for the 1995 elections in Hong Kong (Michael Binyon writes).

Officials insist that there was no secret deal, but say it is open to doubt whether the two sides came to an agreement. While emphasising that Lu Ping, head of China's Hong Kong and Macau office, is taking a narrow interpretation of the exchanges, they admit that he is not lying. He had spoken of a secret agreement for the 1995 direct elections. Leading article, page 17

Kelly buried

Würzburg: Petra Kelly, 44, the founder of the German Green party, who was killed by her long-time companion and fellow activist, Gert Bastian, 69, before he took his own life, was buried next to her beloved stepsister. (AP)

Forces pull out

Dushanbe: Rebel forces withdrew from the centre of the Tajik capital. Dushanbe, but clashes continued in the suburbs as state radio reported that efforts to restore the ousted leader. Rakhmon Na-biyev, were defeated. (AFP)

Trawler sinks

Moscow: A trawler with more than 200 people on board sank ten miles off the coast of Abkhazia, western Georgia. Black Sea fleet warships picked up 36 survivors. (AFP)

Singer dies

Los Angeles: Roger Miller, the country music singer-song-writer, has died of cancer, aged 56. He was best known for his hit King of the Road, which won him Grammy awards in 1965. (Reuter) Obituary, page 19

Panic measure

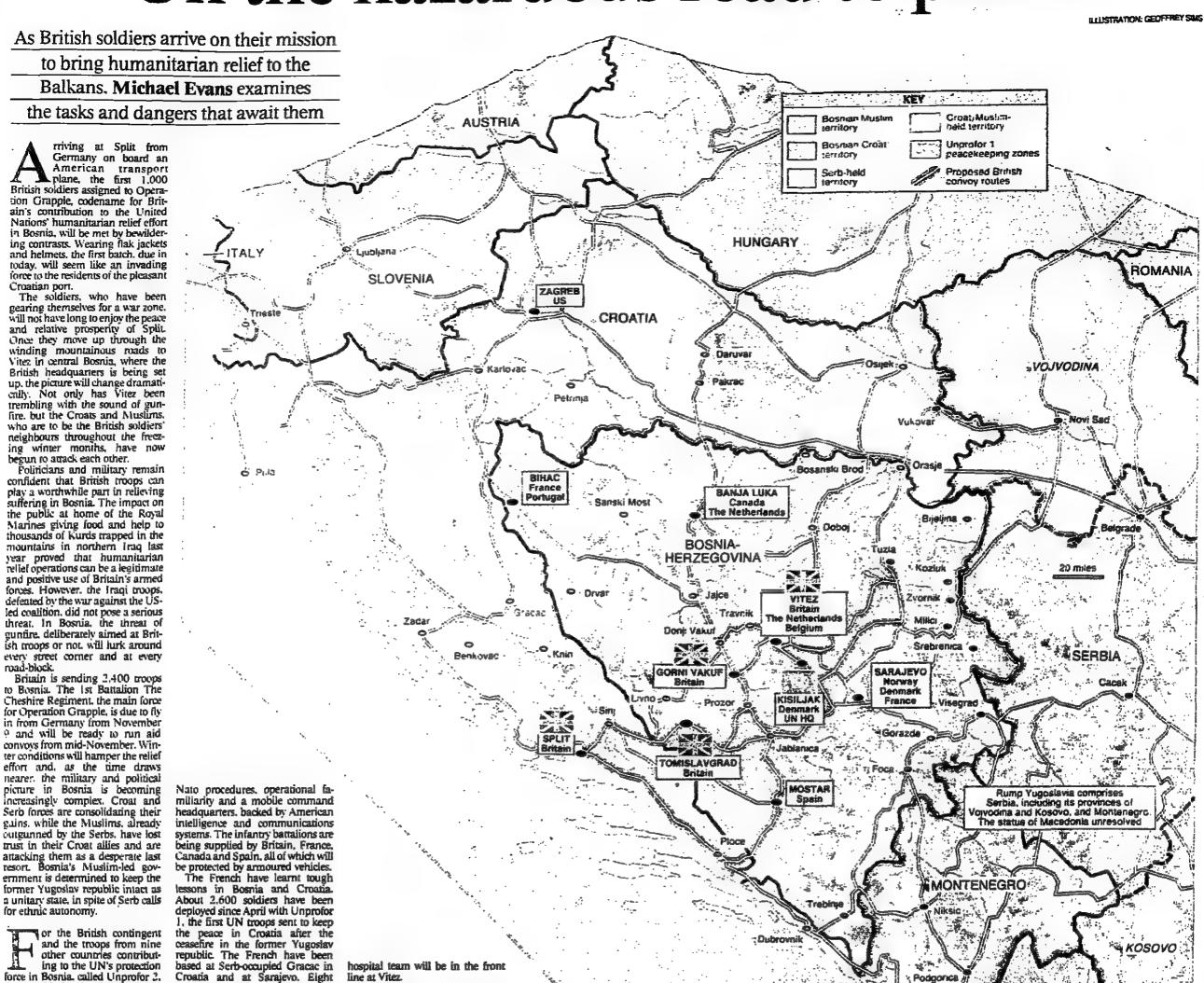
Cairo: Rumours that the world is due to end tomorrow are so widely believed that Egypt's leading Islamic figure has been forced to try to quell the hysteria.

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UNITED NATIONS TROOPS IN BOSNIA

On the hazardous road to peace



force in Bosnia, called Unprofor 2. the bewildering hotchpotch of interriecine feuding has created an environment in which soldiers will not know where the next battle will occur and between which ethnic

The most important piece of equipment to protect the soldiers will be the 30-ton Warrior infantry fighting vehicles, which are due to arrive at Split on November 9. Seven fully equipped infantrymen can fit in the back of the vehicles. which have been fitted with extra protection plates of Chobham armour, as they were for the Gulf war. It is identical to the armour on Challenger tanks and consists of several layers of nylon micromesh bonded by sheets of titanium alloy and other layers of metal and

The Warriors are armed with 30mm Rarden cannons, which can fire 900 armour-piercing rounds a minute, and a 7.62 Hughes Chain gun capable of giving the same weight of fire as 40 second world war infantrymen. They can also do up to 50mph in drive and reverse. crucial for evading sudden attacks.

The main reason for confidence. however, is the arrival of Nato on the scene. Now nearly 7,000 troops from ten countries, all members of the Nato military alliance, apart from France, are in the process of taking up residence in Bosnia under the UN flag, and, signifi-cantly, under the command of Major General Philippe Morillon, a Frenchman, in whom Field Marshal Sir Richard Vincent, the British chief of the defence staff, has absolute confidence. Most will be in Bosnia by the middle of next

They bring with them standard

usk was falling on the winding

mountain road leading into the

central Bosnian town of Prozor as the convoy of white UN vehicles pulled

Croatia and at Sarajevo. Eight French soldiers have been killed so far, although three died in car accidents, and nearly 50 injured. The new French infantry battalion, to be based at Bihac, will have light armoured tanks equipped with

There are expected to be casualties and a full mobile army surgical hospital team will be in the front line

90mm cannon and more than 130 'mine-proof' vehicles.

The British troops will be under no illusion about the risks they face. Even the small reconnaissance party which examined potential convoy routes earlier this month came under fire three times. Under the rules of engagement agreed by the cabinet, the soldiers will be able to fire back. However, as the incident in Vitez demonstrated last week when a small British reconnaissance party drove into a battle between Croats and Muslims, soldiers caught in crossfire have only one way to protect themselves and that is to withdraw as fast as possible. They have no right to intervene in street battles and no mandate to force their way past obstinate warlords. Nevertheless, there are expected to be casualties

However, the experience of Northern Ireland and, in particu-lar, the bandit country of South Armagh, will prove invaluable. British troops are used to mounting patrols in isolated countryside, although they will be less prepared for the expected Siberian weather conditions. Once the Cheshires become accustomed to the supply routes and the patchwork of danger zones, they will use their Uister experience to get aid through to the victims of the war as best they can. although there are serious doubts ing Tuzia and Doboj, the two towns on the northern boundary of the British-assigned relief area because it will mean crossing Serb lines.

The mission in Bosnia is likely to be the first of many new peacekeeping roles for troops from Britain and other Nato countries with the end of the Cold war. The implications of the changing world are already being feit at the Army Staff College at Camberley in Surrey. where peacekeeping studies are now part of the syllabus. Next year an extra week has been added to the course to include lectures by

How long British troops will be involved in Bosnia is unclear. The military advice to the government was that a time limit of one year should be set. The government, however, decided against a 12month deadline, presumably to avoid sending the wrong political signals to the other countries contributing troops. Operation Grapple, therefore, is an open-ended commitment which could force the government next year to revise its Options for Change plan to reduce the army by 25 per cent.

The total number of UN troops/police/observers serving with Unprofor 1 in Croatia and Sarajevo is 15,000 from 25 countries

UNPROFOR 1 DEPLOYED IN APRIL: Argentina: 850 infantry, 50 police Bangladesh: 10 observers, 15 police Belglum: 620 infantry, 3 observers Brazil: 10 observers Britain: 300 medical, 8 observers Canada: 350 engineers, 900 infantry, 10 observers Colombia: 15 police Czechoslovakia: 500 infantry, 10 observers Denmark: 900 infantry, 4 observers Egypt: 400 infantry, 7 observers, 15 police Finland: 300 engineers France: 1,100 logistics personnel, 1,519 infantry

Lucembourg: 40 infantry
Jordan:900 infantry, 10 observers, 15 police
Kenya: 900 infantry, 10 observers, 15 police
Nepal: 900 infantry, 10 observers, 15 police
The Netherlands: 884 infantry, 360 communications
personnel, 48 logistics, 34 air, 4 observers
Minatel 200 infantry, 360 communications Nigeria: 900 infantry, 2 observers Norway: 100 logistics, 10 observers Poland: 900 infantry, 10 observers Russia: 900 infantry Sweden: 100 HQ staff Switzerland: 2 observers Ukraine: 400 infantry

The total number of UN troops serving with Unprofor 2 in Bosnia will be about 7,000 from ten countries UNPROFOR 2 TO BE DEPLOYED IN NOVEMBER:

Britain: 2,400 infantry and support to be based at Vitez, with a supply base at Split and two forward logistic bases at Tomislavgrad and Gomi Vakut, plus Warnors and Scimitars France: 1,100 infantry to be based at Bihac, plus eight helicopters and light armoured tanks with 90mm cannon Canada: 1,200 infantry to be based at Banja Luka Spain: 700 infantry, with light armoured vehicles, at Mostar The Netherlands: 940 support personnel to be based at Vitez and Banja Luka, with 64 army lorries

Norway: 35 engineers to be based at Sarajevo Portugal: 10-15, medical team to be based at Bihac Denmark: 151 headquarters staff to be based at Kisiljak with a recce company in Sarajevo US: 300-man field hospital to be based at Zagreb

Belgium: 100-man transport company with 24 trucks at Vitez

Warships monitoring trade embargo against Serbia and Montenegro in the Adriatic: 4 from Italy, France, Spain and Belgium under the command of the Western European Union and 3-4 on rotation from Nato's Standing Naval Force Mediterranean, consisting of one warship each from the US, Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Greece, Turkey and Germany.

British morale is tempered in the fire

in for petrol nearby. The British troops abroad had just received their Balkan baptism of fire, and, thankfully, both they and their soft-skinned vehicles had previously allied Muslim and Croat escaped unscathed. The soldiers were tense, with guns at the ready, as they described the fighting

between rival Croatian and Muslim Military sources have been saying for weeks that the British UN contingent. charged with escorting relief convoys. had drawn the short straw by being based in central Bosnia. But the eruption of heavy fighting last week between

forces around Vitez, site of the British forward base, has seen that straw shrink by the minute.

The British troops ran into fire from machine guns, mortars and rocketpropelled grenades just outside Vitez. they said. "It was all noise with no serious fighting and people who do not know what they are shooting at. The situation was completely confused with a lot of people who think they are in command," said Colonel John Field. With the troops as they experience their first taste of the confusion of a society at war with itself

commander of 35 Engineer Regiment. That incident last week was the first time that soldiers from the British contingent who recently arrived in Croatia have encountered fire in anger. But a military source said that troops in earlier reconnaissance parties had been caught

The soldiers did not return fire. Under the UN rules of engagement they can fire back only in self defence if they believe they are directly under attack and must return fire to save lives and extricate

Col Field said the incident would not affect the will of the British UN

contingent to carry out their work escorting aid convoys. "Our mission is to build camps and get the roads up." he said. This shows we can achieve

Perhaps paradoxically last week's expetiences have boosted morale. Privately, some soldiers fear that it will collapse if casualties are taken but now their attention is focused on the difficult job in

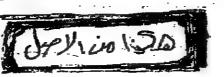
Relief workers also welcome the arrival of the British troops. "Everybody is

optimistic that they will keep the roads open," said Patrick Gasser of the Interna-tional Committee of the Red Cross in

Psychology, too, will play an important role, observers say. The war in Bosnia is messy and confusing. The ragtag fighters lurking in the woods often do not know at whom they should be pointing their guns. Few are likely to understand the complex-ities of the UN mandate to escort aid

But when a convoy of British Warrior armoured vehicles with their roof-mounted cannons lumbers up to a makeshift checkpoint, the message will be clear enough. Get out of the way.

ADAM LEBOR



Is this the age of the condom?

Alice Thomson asks how different

generations cope with the problems of

contraception and safe sex

ou sidle into the chemist's and look for them furtively creams and mouthwashes. Eventually you spot them but they are directly in front of a glamorous blonde assistant and there are two old ladies in the queue in front of you. "I'd like some of those," you mumble. "The condoms?" she shrieks. "Do you want pepper-mint, liquorice, ribbed or extra long, and what about lubricants?" Humiliated, you grab

the nearest pack and run. Yesterday British pharmacists launched a campaign to take the embarrassment out of asking for information on condoms. A free guide to male and female condoms prepared by the Family Planning Assoclation is being distributed to 12,000 pharmacies, and for the next month pharmacists will be promoting their role as a source of information on contraception and safer sex.

Karin Pappenheim of the Family Planning Clinic says: People need to know about the different types of condom available and which lubricants

are safe. Pharmacists can also advise on how medicines can cause problems with condom use. For instance how certain vaginal treatments and moisturisers can weaken the

According to the Pharmacy Healthcare Scheme, most pharmacies have a quiet area where personal topics can be discussed but pharmacists say they are asked for ad-

vice on contraceptives less than once a week. The condom is the third most popular method of contraception (16 per cent) after sterilisation (25 per cent) and the Pill (23

per cent of women), and about two million British women used condoms as their main. method of contraception in 1991. The British Standard for condoms was introduced in 1989. It states that con-doms must either be 48mm wide and 150mm long or 52mm wide and 160mm long. An average purchaser uses 102 condoms a year.

• Jules Carey-Morgan, 21, is a student at University College London, reading philosophy and linguistics.

I WENT to an all-girls school in Oxford. We had our first sex education in biology lessons at 14. I remember them showing us two figures, one on top of the other. Then they told us which methods of contraceptives were most effective and gave us each a booklet.

I already knew it. Cooped up in an all-girls school, sex was the main topic of conversation. At 12 we already had boyfriends. We kissed and held hands and were deeply shocked if they touched our breasts. By 15 most of us had had a sexual relationship but people didn't sleep around. Condoms were easily available from dispensing machines. Aids was not the problem then, it was non-availability of. a partner. I was quite unusual because I had a serious relationship from the age of 16.

sleep with someone the first time unless I was really lusting. I have had six serious boyfriends. All those 1960s stories of mass orgies have probably been exaggerated. My mum grew up in the 1960s and didn't sleep with anyone until she was married. We are more liberated, but

more constrained by Aids. Most of my friends wouldn't be embarrassed asking for contraceptives in a chemist, but I don't think we would want to discuss black ribbed versus extra strong condoms in front of an entire shop.

The Pill makes for funnier, more spontaneous sex, but all my girlfriends use condoms in a new relationship even if they are on the Pill. I have already been on the Pill six years but

the doctor says that is fine.
I have had two Aids tests and I have my own gynaecolo-gist. Most of my friends have regular Aids tests, it's almost like a dental check-up. We are into safe sex not less sex. I had a Scottish nanny who died of Aids — it does frighten me. Something that really shocked me recently was when a friend

By 15 most of us had had a sexual relationship but we didn't sleep around. Condoms were easily available from machines. Aids was not the problem then, it was non-availability of a partner

> went to Thalland. He slept with a prostitute without a condom and just brushed it off. That is really stupid.

• Elisa Offord, 24, is a press officer for a publishing comparty. She is single.

AS I WENT to a Catholic school, we only had sex education in biology, and then not much of it. My parents didn't tell me directly. I learnt through my older brother and

When we were 16 we all had boyfriends and went out in a group together. Aids wasn't an issue, now we are all worried about it. Condoms are just for the first few times. Most of my friends are on the Pill. It is easy to get a prescription and much the salest. But some friends have put on weight and felt ill on the Pill so they use the-cap. I don't stay on the Pill when I am not going out with

My friends tend to have long-term relationships or are celibate. It is rare to have a one-night stand. Girls tend to be the ones who think about

contraceptives.

Aids hasn't ruined sex; it has made us more responsible. I would have hated to have lots of one-night stands, and Aids gives girls the perfect excuse to say no. I would ask a new partner his background, but how can you know if they have Aids? It is a risk you have to take. You can't worry too much, otherwise you would never have any fun.

● John Dodd, 31, is a fund manager in Edinburgh. He is

WE WERE taught about animal and plant reproduction in biology lessons, but we cer-tainly didn't have any formal sex education. I never talked to my parents: I talked to other boys at school and my sister's friends. By 13 we had a vague idea of what should happen between a man and women but we were vague on the details and had no idea of the consequences. From 15 our experiences varied a lot, but few boys slept with girls while they were still at school.

By the time I got to univer sity we were expected to know about contraceptives. I always assumed women were told by their mothers and the girls would then tell the boys what they wanted. In those days sex was an adventure. If you were sensible there were few longterm consequences. Most girts were on the Pill. I don't

remember anyone getthreat of venereal disease. We had all heard about herpes but no one ever got it. Men were quite lax. They expected their partners to be on the PIII or to have a supply of

1 was 26 when Aids became a serious issue, and I think my genera-tion's attitudes have changed. My unmarlikely to use condoms now. Condoms have certainly improved, but the Pill is still safer if you want to avoid getting pregnant. The female condom sounds disastrous. My instant reac-tion to sterilisation is, no

 Jane Harrison, is 37 and a GP who also works as a senior clinical medical officer at the Margaret Pyke family plan-ning centre in London. She is married with four young sons. I THINK my generation was less open about contraception than the young are now. There was less sex education at school, and I didn't talk about contraception until I went to medical school in my late

teens. Teenagers generally didn't discuss contraception with their parents at that time. People did experiment more in the 1970s. The Pill was a great release for women, and they could obtain it easily. There was freedom from the fear of pregnancy and less pressure to marry. Fewer women relied on the sheath.

The Pill is still very popular among women of my age group. At the Margaret Pyke centre we see many career women in their thirties. They like the new low dose and progesterorie-only Pills. The "Pill scares" in the 1980s did discourage some women from using the Pill, but with careful advice about the risks and benefits many still find it an excellent method of contraceptive. Smoking with the Pill is bad news for women in their

after my first baby, I went to a with my children. I think it is very nice woman GP who

Jane Harrison with son James: "the Pill is still popular among women of my age"

in use of barrier methods among women in their thir-ties. This is definitely linked to I was 21 when I got mar-ried. Nowadays we probably would have lived together first. their increased awareness about Aids. The new female Most women in my genera-tion used the Dutch cap, condom is a good alternative for older women who are not in a steady relationship and who are worried about catchrhythm method. ing sexually transmitted dis-

I have noticed the increase

eases. Women who have completed their families also

use the coil, or hormonal

Sterilisation is a good choice

for couples who are sure that

they do not want more child-

ren. However it should be seen

as a permanent method, and

counselling is needed to en-sure that all the options have been considered carefully.

not got across to teenagers as it

Catherine Porteous is in her

mid-fifties and has recently retired as chairwoman of the

National Council for One-

Parent Families. She is mar-

ried with three adult children.

WHEN I was about 16 and at

boarding school, one girl's mother wrote to her saying

there was one side of marriage that she would always find

disgusting and repulsive but

that she must pretend to enjoy it for the sake of her husband.

I didn't know what she was

talking about. My family nev-

er talked about that sort of

thing. Once my mother took a

deep breath and told me about menstruation, but never about sex. To broach the subject with

my father would have been a

The first time I saw a French

letter was at a Cambridge ball.

It was floating in a lavatory and I thought this is what life is about. I knew I mustn't get

pregnant but no one told me

about contraception even

when I got married. Finally,

million times worse.

has to older women.

The message about Aids has

injections and implants.

which was rather messy, or the discussed contraception cent in the 1980s.

wonderful that the Pill has iven my daughters' generation more freedom to plan their families. But the increase in sexual activity has created a huge problem among young teenagers. Few know what pregnancies rose by 25 per

Mass murder is child's play

Ping! Zap! Peeoww! Splat! Decibels of de-struction and video game violence zing through the house. A gentle, imaginative, nicely brought up boy of 11 is blasting bits off electronic opponents in Mega Man and wishing his pocket money would extend to the purchase of Street Fighter II. This child has never owned

a gun, a light-sabre or Rambo outfit; no war toy has ever been allowed in our house. Where did I go wrong? Or did I?

The experts, as ever, have an opinion. Last Thursday, internationally acclaimed playologists from around the globe assembled to discuss "Myths and Realities of Play" at a conference hosted by the British Toy and Hobby Association. Several took war toys and games as their theme, and all mentioned aggression in play during their dissentations.

The results of various surveys on the subject were reported. I have to own up to a research; it often transpires that much time and effort has been expended quantifying and tabulating the obvious, such as "Playing war is mostly a male thing". (Professor Gisela Wegener-Spöhring reporting on Swedish findings that 76 per cent of boys owned war toys, while merely 29 per cent of girls had any.) More interesting was the analysis of parental annudes.

English and Italian mothers in parallel surveys were revealed to divide themselves into three basic classifications. Those who discourage: "My six-year-old understands that real guns kill and that his parents dislike representations of them." Those who allow the play within ilmits: "I'm bothered if it's excessively noisy and violent, but can accept it as part of a child's acting out internal tensions." And those who allow it unconditionally: "It's harmless, like adults watching war films."

When it comes to school time, attitudes shift. The majority of parents support the general ban on war toys being taken into kindergarten or beyond. Most nursery schools require sidearms to be surrendered upon entry.

Yet painstaking studies, in which researchers observe unsupervised, unarmed, "free reveal X-certificate plots and the boy are inseparable.



DAVINA LLOYD

age, mutilation (cutting bits off toy rabbits), incest, burial and exhumation. All this and more, plainly visible when normal well-adjusted children move by mutual agreement strands of the playful and profane are inseparably threaded through their games

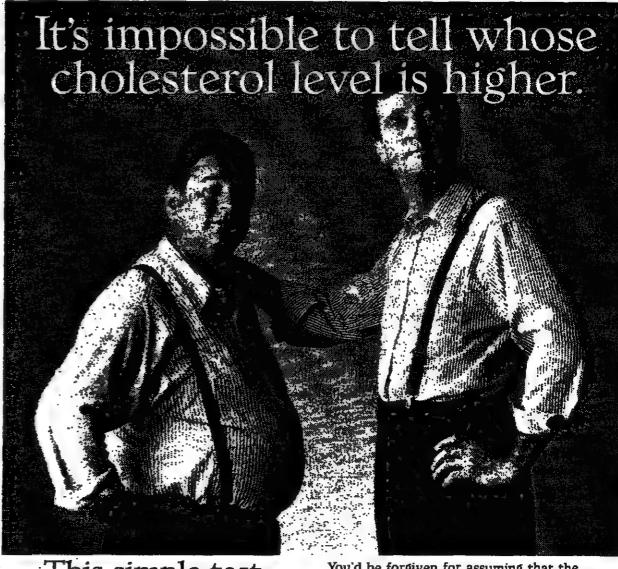
Parents would be horrified. The prevailing style of childrearing is pacifist and protective: a desire to shield the young from the nastiness of the real world, to offer politi-cally correct and positive playthings. Parents are attracted by anything labelled "educational". If only they remembered what actually lurks in the imagination of a child. We all lived there once.

The fundamental fallacy is a belief in the power of toys to shape a child's future. Do all those who ever played with Lego become structural engineers?

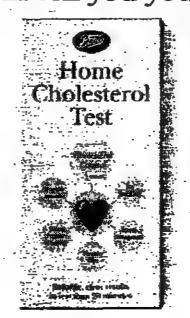
"Adults constantly misunderstand children's capacity to distinguish between play and Sutton-Smith of Pennsylvania University. The whole point of play is that it is not real."

Play possesses an inner real-ity, unconnected with the literal world. Children cotton on to the difference very early. To the peace-loving father who bans a replica revolver, the child responds: "But dad. I don't want to shoot anybody. I just want to play."

Such prohibitions may well be counterproductive, encouraging an unbidden interest in ballistics. I never allowed my son to have a toy gun: he first shot me from his high-chair with a crust of Marmite toast.



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Clean bill of health for new blood

NINE thousand people will contribute to transfusion medicine today — and the same number will be involved tomorrow. But blood donors, like most other people, tend to look blank when this new medical specialty is mentioned. It received some unwelcome publicity

last week, however, when Jean-Pierre Allain, a professor of transfusion medicine at Cambridge University was sentenced to four years in prison for his part in a scandal involving contaminated blood products. (Professor Allain intends to appeal against the verdict.) Until four or five years ago, transfusion medicine was regarded as a branch of haematology. Now new blood products and transfusion methods, and the complex issue of transfusion-transmitted disease, mean that it is recognised as a specialty in its own right. Like the French, some British haemophiliacs were infected by contaminated blood products in the early 1980s. Now. Dr Christine Lee, the director of the haemophilia unit at London's Royal Free Hospital, says

BOTTOM LINE Transfusions now carry

less risk of contamination

"The effects of sterilising blood products can be seen in the condition of our child haemophiliaes. None of them has been infected with HIV or hepatitis C."

☐ British blood is now considered to be particularly safe, says Dr Richard Dawood the author of Travellers Health (Oxford University Press). There has not been a documented case of transusion-associated HIV since the mid-1980s."

☐ According to Dr Dawood there is still a remote chance of getting HIV from American blood. In the United States, between one pint in 40,000 and one pint in 153,000 is estimated to be contaminated.

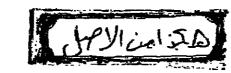
Every capital city in the world now has a screening programme for donated blood. Despite this, contaminated blood

can still enter the supply in the time between a donor becoming infected with a disease and producing antibodies which can be picked up by a screening test. In the Ivory Coast 11 per cent of donated blood is discarded after testing positive, but, despite this, between one pint in 94 and one in 185 is contaminated.

UK statistics last year indicate that five cases of Aids and 25 cases of HIV were attributed to blood transfusions from overseas. But 429 travellers, including some who had been living abroad, became HIV positive after heterosexual experiences overseas.

People with the kinds of illnesses which might need a blood transfusion should avoid the tropics. So should pregnant women, who may also end up needing blood, Dr Dawood says. ☐ Poor countries cannot afford disposable needles and syringes, and Dr Dawood believes that taking a few of

these abroad may be a wise precaution. ANN KENT



now to throw it all away and condemn

the party to a period of internal division and possible annihilation at

Sir, When discussing the passage of the Maastricht Bill through Par-

liament the Conservative party chair-

man. rather arrogantly in my view, stated on Today this morning that "we

cannot have a minority of MPs dictating Conservative policy".

Parliament is not about endorsing

the wishes of the Cabinet. It is about

reflecting the democratic opinion of

the fact that those dissenting Tory

voices, combined with many in the

opposition parties, reflect the true majority opinion in the country that Maastricht is a distraction from the

need for action on the economy.

The government must wake up to



PAVING THE WAY

Mr Major has chosen to put his hand in the fire

The Conservative party is bracing itself for an unnecessary battle in its already bitter civil war. Next Wednesday, in a so-called "paving" debate on Europe, the prime minister has staked his reputation, and possibly the continuance of his government, on winning the vote. Perhaps he will win; perhaps he will not; perhaps he will retreat; perhaps he just likes gambling.

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The debate carries no constitutional import. It was promised in the summer after the Danes voted against the Maastricht treaty. Britain's ratification bill had already had its second reading in the Commons. Labour argued that the House should be given the chance to have a general discussion about European policy before proceeding with the committee stage. This is the result. Wednesday's vote, therefore, will do nothing to further the ratification of the treaty.

The debate will not even make much sense. John Major is asking his party to take him on trust MPs will be voting on the mer-its not of the existing Maastricht treaty but on some future treaty-with-declarations-attached which the prime minister hopes to bring back from Edinburgh. The waverers will have no idea whether Mr Major will win enough concessions to appease their anxieties about subsidiarity. Parliament is being

asked to ponder a pig in a poke.

Mr Major and his foreign secretary, Douglas Hurd, are not making matters easier by selling Maastricht on a false prospectus. At the Tory party conference, the treaty was hailed as a great step back for the Community, away from union and towards returning powers to member states. The French and the Germans do not believe that. Simply read the second sentence of the treaty itself: "This Treaty marks a new stage in the process of creating an ever closer union among the peoples of Europe."

Mr Major went out of his way to pacify fears about European citizenship. Article 8 of the treaty states that "every person holding the nationality of a Member State shall be a citizen of the Union". Yesterday Tony. Marlow, a Eurosceptic Tory MP, accused the government of indulging in "a massive policy of misinformation". Mr Marlow,

Kong's people and derail his strategy for

greater democracy. Peking alleges that the British government secretly agreed, in an

exchange of letters with China in 1990, on

arrangements for the 1995 elections with

which, it claims, Mr Patten's proposed

Patten's chosen ground of open govern-

ment. For weeks, the Chinese have tried

without much success to undermine support

in Hong Kong for the governor's plans to

strengthen political accountability, and to in-

troduce broadly-based if partly indirect

democracy to Hong Kong in 1995. His

proposals are anathema in Peking. But so

popular is the governor's strategy in Hong

Kong that the Chinese have been reduced to

disguising their hostility to more democracy

in quibbles, for none of which have they

been able to produce a scintilla of evidence.

The Chinese have failed to make the case

that his constitutional reforms contravene

either Britain's treaty obligations or China's

Basic Law for post-1997 Hong Kong. They

are on weak ground in refusing, as they did

when Mr Patten was in Peking last week, to

come up with alternative ideas which are, as

he has said they must be, fair, open, capable

of attracting support - and forthcoming by early 1993, after which date he intends to

press ahead with the relevant legislation.

Hong Kong has reacted coolly to China's

threat simply to dismantle the legislature in

China's latest shaft is directed, instead, at

Mr Patten's credibility as governor. Mr

1997 if its will is thwarted.

The best defence is attack - and on Mr

constitutional reforms are incompatible.

alone in his suspicions. Whatever impression they may sometimes give, MPs are as capable of reading the Maastricht treaty as any cabinet minister, more so than some. It is counterproductive and patronising to try to delude them over the treaty's real meaning. If Mr Major believes in the whole thrust of Maastricht, he should justify it in positive terms, stressing what the treaty will do to improve British people's lives, not what it will not do.

The only positive argument ministers use is that Britain must be "at the heart of Europe". The weak reading of this assertion is that Britain should fall in with whatever its European partners want to do. That would be nonsense. More convincing is that Britain must play its part in ensuring that war will never again break out on West European soil. European amity is necessary for peace and European amity is not now increased by a treaty which in so many places now inflames the worst nationalist sentiments. All over Europe, people are saying "this far and no further". Helmut Kohl may accept a single currency, but his people do not, and nothing is more likely to fuel nationalism in Germany than the sacrifice of the mark to the ecu.

Mr Major's arguments are misleading. Moreover, whichever way the debate goes, it will do him harm. He wants to win a dear majority in order to re-establish his leadership credentials at home; and yet the easier the ride at Westminster, the harder he will find it to persuade his European colleagues of the need to water down Maastricht in order to win public support in Britain and Denmark. Conversely, if he loses, or only narrowly wins the vote, he might persuade François Mitterrand that his plight was serious, but only at the expense of domestic humiliation and damage to his prospects of cutting public spending and interest rates.

The main effect of the paving debate is to cause unnecessary distraction from the immediate, and far more serious, task at hand: to restore the British economy to health. The government is now reputed to be fiddling with the motion for debate, diluting it so much that MPs will find it impossible to though more trenchant than most, is not rebel. Meanwhile the country burns.

fate. This is China's target. The message

behind Peking's latest allegations is that

perfidious Albion is up to its old tricks, that

no British governor can be trusted to tell

Hong Kong's people the truth, and that Mr

Patten's promised open government is no

more than a skilful piece of public relations.

counter only by laying all cards on the table.

Hong Kong's people are only too accus-tomed to deals being reached without their

knowledge or consent that has been the

pattern of Anglo-Chinese negotiations on

Hong Kong's future. The correspondence,

which dates from shortly after an unpublicised visit to Peking by Sir Percy

Cradock, then the political adviser to

Number 10 and a firm believer in the

paramount importance of smooth relations

The governor maintains that there has

been "no secret deal and no agreement". But

in Hong Kong, the mud will stick if these

documents are not speedily published. They

should reveal whether Britain, as Douglas

Hurd insists, has indeed been steadily

pressing China to alter its Basic Law so as to

provide for more directly elected seats on

Hong Kong's legislature - and whether

Britain has taken no for an answer, as China

implies. Silence would be the kiss of death

for Mr Patten's reforms, and for his

governorship: it would confirm that Britain

has something to hide. Authority to publish

rests with the British government, not Mr

Patten. Mr Hurd should lose no time in

making the entire correspondence public.

with China, is acknowledged to exist.

This is dirty poker which Mr Patten can

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Hitches on the road to Maastricht

the polls.

Yours sincerely

October 26.

the country.

Yours faithfully,

Lower Upton.

Little Hereford,

October 26.

hearted relief.

dark qualities.

Yours faithfully.

gircraft.

c/o Garrick Club.

M. J. C. TWEEDIE,

Ludlow, Shropshire.

From Sir William Harding

Sir, Even the Opposition knows John

Major's good qualities - intelligence,

pragmatism, humour, modesty, fair-

mindedness, concern for others, loy-

alty to his subordinates and sheer

niceness - which is why those of us

who voted for him and his party in

April did so with enthusiasm and

welcomed his victory with whole-

Now he must show us some bad

ones - impatience with ineptitude,

stubborness in adversity, remorseless-

ness in exacting obedience, selfishness

in imposing his own agenda and malice in doing down the enemy.

nasty qualities as well as their nice

ones, as well as a fair dose of luck, if

they are to succeed. I would love to see

the prime minister, without being in

any way untrue to himself, put aside

the armour of light and show us his

In so doing he will surprise and

delight his true friends and confound

his perfidious enemies both in Britain

and in the world at large - and

nowhere more so than in the midst of

the European Community.

WILLIAM HARDING.

15 Garrick Street, WC2.

Statesmen, like generals, need their

PETER HUGHES.

40 King Street, Chester.

From Mr M. J. C. Tweedie

From Lord Bruce of Donington

Sir, It may well be, as your leading article today indicates, that the prime minister regards ratification by Par-liament of the Maastricht treaty as an issue of confidence in his leadership. He may indeed have given a verbal undertaking at the Birmingham summit to proceed along this road. He should however be reminded of the unequivocal undertaking he gave to Parliament and the British people in the House of Commons as recently as September 24 last when he

declared (Hansard, col 8): So we need a definition - a settled order of what is for national action and what is for Community action. We need clear criteria by which Community proposals will be judged. When we are saisfied that such a system has been put in place, and when we are clear that the Danes have a basis on which they can put the treaty back to their electorate, we shall bring the Maastricht Bill back to the House of Commons.

The prime minister may be clear in his mind that the Danes have a "basis" on which they can call a second referendum and, if this be so, he has yet to reveal its detail. He cannot however pretend for one instant that the "subsidiarity" system has yet been agreed, let alone "put in place". M Jacques Delors, in his customary arrogance and partiality, publicly derided the prime minister's idea of "subsidiarity" in a speech to the European Parliament (report, October 15) two days before the Birmingham conference.

Pending the careful resolution of these questions, we should have thought that, as a matter of personal honour, the prime minister should adhere to the undertaking so specifically, and without outside pressure, given to the House of Commons on September 24.

Yours faithfully, DONALD BRUCE. House of Lords. October 26.

From Mr Peter T. Hughes

Sir. The government cannot claim a mandate for the ratification of the Maastricht treaty, as the three main political parties fought the last election on the basis of commitment to it. As the electorate has been denied a referendum, the honourable course now would be for Mr Major to allow Conservative M.Ps a free vote on the issue rather than attempt to whip them into line through threats of forcing a general election.

As a Conservative I believe the survival of the government to be more important than the political survival of the prime minister or the ratification of the treaty. The party would never forgive John Major if, after winning an historic victory in April, he were

Fate of Eurofighter

Sir. Mr Wynne-Griffith's recom-

mendation (letter, October 14) that

the Eurofighter project (EFA) should be cancelled because "we are in danger of wasting a lot of money on

developing and then cancelling ... the project" would accomplish exactly

the waste he describes. Most of the

development costs have alrady been

spent by Britain and her partners, for

which they are all legally bound. The

question now is whether to proceed to

Eurofighter will provide the RAF with the finest air-superiority aircraft

for at least 25 years after introduction.

at which time its existing aircraft,

Phantom and Tornado (which is not

an air-superiority aircraft) are life-

From Mr.A. M. M. Hodges

October 22. inferior. US aircraft to EFA is the F18.

This is even older (in design-life terms) than the Gladiator was when the RAF had to defend Malta with it in 1940. Russia has aircraft which are currently superior to anything in the RAF. No doubt they will be happy to add sterling to the various other currencies for which they will sell their

The impact of this alternative on employment, balance of payment, and the extinction of the UK aircraft industry (one of the UK's few worldclass industries) need not be elabo-

2. To disband RAF Strike Command, apart from some peripheral duties such as flying Lancaster. Spitfire and Hurricane at public events. Much money would be saved, and at this level the RAF might usefully be privatised.

There are only two alternatives to Yours faithfully, A. M. M. HODGES, 1. To purchase aircraft from either 6 Church Street, USA or Russia. The nearest, but Hampton, Middlesex.

Ozone dangers

expired.

Eurofighter:

From Sir Michael McNair-Wilson

Sir. Your report (October 12) about the expanding hole in the ozone layer with the consequent increase in expo-sure to ultraviolet light must be taken very seriously by government and private citizen alike.

of those skin conditions which, if not treated at an early stage, can become cancerous. This particularly applies to those people who expose their skin to the sun or revel in sun-bathing during the months from April to September.

tion's recent annual conference we were surprised to be told by a distinguished consultant dermatologist that everyone should now consider using a factor 6 sun-block cream

Reading, Berkshire.

in the "raft" are continuously sewn. It is of vital importance that study of boats ever to have been found in northern Europe and indeed anywhere in the world outside ancient Egypt and the eastern Mediterra-

intact and it is essential to examine a second which may survive at Dover while the opportunity exists to prove or disprove the theory that these craft were equal-ended. Evidence may also emerge about the existence of a third pair of side-strakes and of other

Yours etc. E. V. WRIGHT. Hall Place, Wycombe End, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire.

Shortcomings of banking services

From the Chairman of the Association of Bank Customers

botch it and run", October 19) rightly draws attention to the remarkable situation (as evidenced by the experience of members of this association) in which banks will so often find an undeserving cause on which to shower money, but seem strangely incapable of lending effectively.

At least one bank advertises that it is moving towards a 1.000-strong salesforce" to sell insurance to its "largely untapped banking customer base", although some of its untapped customers (again our members) would far prefer to have access to a proper banking rather than insurance ser-

Should any individual or small trader be able to secure a grudging -and frequently reduced - loan it will be on the strict understanding that an all-wise bank manager supervise almost to the point of controlling his use of those precious moneys.

Customers know only too well the extremely efficient methods used by the banks to enforce immediate compliance with their requirements

for repayment. And there are the mistakes: computer software now exists to allow customers to check bank Sir, Bernard Levin ("Debit, credit, statements which in many cases have substantial errors in charges and interest rates. We know of errors on

> to £80,000 over a two-year period. So bad has been the experience of many who no longer have a business or a home, or who trade from day to day with real fear of the next visitor and phone call, that this association, representing about 3,500 members, was formed a few months ago. We are finding that many customers prefer to use building society accounts. We have been asked by many members to look into the availability of foreign banks to provide services in the UK.

one account, for example, amounting

Sooner or later there may be no more customers left. At that stage the banks may be forced to provide a keenly priced, efficient service in real competition with others offering similar services.

Yours truly, STUART CLIFFE, Chairman, The Association of Bank Customers. Llantony Secunda Manor, Church Road, Caldicot, Gwent.

Fuelling power stations

From Professor Max Fordham, FEng Sir. Coal-fired power stations burn coal to produce steam. The steam is used in steam turbines to generate electricity. The efficiency of the process is limited by the maximum temperature at which the steam can be generated. Steam turbines are very efficient at discharging the unwanted heat left over from this process very

close to the cool outside temperature.

In the new gas-fired power stations gas turbines operate at a very high temperature but are not good at discharging the heat at a low tem-perature. Therefore the power stations take the surplus heat from the turbine and use that to generate steam, which is used in a steam turbine.

The result is that the new combinedcycle power stations are much more efficient than coal-fired thermal power stations. This efficiency is gained even though the individual power stations are quite small. Thus it is not correct to compare the economics of generation simply on the delivered price of the

If we are concerned with the carbondioxide emission from combustion then that also favours gas. The energy in coal is almost entirely due to carbon content, while the energy in natural gas is produced by both the carbon content and the hydrogen. The combustion of gas produces less carbon dioxide than the production of coal for a given energy flow.

Yours faithfully. M. FORDHAM. Max Fordham & Partners (Consulting engineers). 42/43 Gloucester Crescent, NW1. October 24.

Britain abroad

From the Director-General of the British Council

Sir. For over 40 years the British Council has been active in human resource development overseas. Most of this work has been funded from the British aid programme; notably for skills training, education and English language teaching.

While the public's attention is inevitably drawn to dramatic emergencies and to humanitarian aid, we ignore the long-term and mutually beneficial effects of the Overseas Development Agency's other work at our peril.

The British Council's staff, in the field and directly involved, are well aware that the impact of long-term

British aid is widely recognised by other countries, including fellow donors. It also creates interest in this country and a respect for its capacities that cannot be taken for granted in other countries these days.

Significant reductions in this investment would directly threaten Britain's ability to sustain the relationships this country needs in order to make a real mark on other parts of the international agenda. Those of us who are committed to Britain's long-term relationships overseas view that prospect with alarm and anxiety. Is this a time to lose friends abroad?

Yours sincerely, JOHN HANSON. Director-General, The British Council, 10 Spring Gardens, SW1.

From Mr Wyndham Thomas

October 26). It should be "no".

Sir. Yes, a "positive announcement"

should be made about the Jubilee line

extension (Sir William Barlow's letter,

First, the estimated cost of £1.8

billion would, on all the modern

precedents, be exceeded by at least 50

far more urgent need is for investment

in the system as it is - which would

benefit all Tube travellers, not a

Thirdly, the extension is proposed

by many simply to bail out the owners

in Docklands of speculative projects

which should never have been started,

and which have already been given

Perhaps most importantly, would

not the £1.8 billion be better invested

in transport improvements now pro-

posed for five or six of our provincial cities? The benefit to engineering

manufacturers and in creating

employment would be at least as

Development Corporation, 1981-8),

large enterprise zone subsidies.

Secondly, London Underground's

Jubilee line

per cent.

Religion in Sudan

From the Chargé d'Affaires. Embassy of the Republic of Sudan

Sir, The claims you attribute to the Right Reverend Joseph Gasi Abangite, Bishop of Tombura and Yambio report, October 17), contradict both truth and reason. At no time has the Sudan government proclaimed a slogan of "one country, one language, one religion", as the bishop alleges.

On the contrary, the government has affirmed its respect for the cultural and religious diversity of Sudan. Ministers and top officials in the government include a significant proportion of Christians, who include an An-glican bishop, the Reverend Gabriel Roreg, minister of state at the Foreign Ministry. Freedom of religion is

guaranteed by law and practice. It is true that the government favours the use of Arabic in education. but not at the expense of local languages. The opponents of Arabic would rather replace it by English.

It also defies reason to claim that food is being used to convert people to Islam. Apart from the fact that forcible conversion to Islam is invalid. the fact is that of over 50 aid agencies operating in Sudan, only two are Muslim. Most of the others belong to missionary Christian organisations. If there is any charge of abuse of aid for religious purposes, then the bishop knows who to level it against.

Yours sincerely, AHMAD OMAR, Chargé d'Affaires, Embassy of the Republic of Sudan. 3 Cleveland Row, SW1.

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October 26.

Imperial preference

From Mr Michael Davison Sir. In what organ but The Times

Yours faithfully, WYNDHAM THOMAS

8 Westwood Park Road.

(Member, London Docklands

Peterborough, Cambridgeshire.

could the name of a fun-loving Roman emperor of the 3rd century be invoked in aid twice on the same page (October 21), with readers left to choose between the spelling Heliogabalus of your leader writer or the Elagabalus preferred by your correspondent Mr Colin Haycraft?

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL DAVISON. 5 St Albans Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey. October 22.

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PUBLISH THE CHINA LETTERS

Britain should prove there is no secret deal

China's leaders are hoping that they have at Patter relies crucially on the trust he has last drawn blood in their campaign at registered in a community unused to discredit Chris Pattern's standing with Hong being consulted and asked to decide its own

There is a jungle out there

safari park were inundated with calls from the caring British public, offering to adopt the 600 animals that have been made redundant because the park has gone into receivership. Economically, the sensible course would be to slaughter all the animals now, before they run up any more bills for exotic foodstuffs. But the official receivers, recognising the public relations disaster they have on their hands, have announced that they will be finding the animals good homes rather than graves, if possible. The trouble is that, with the recession, the bottom has fallen out of the market for tamed and shabby tigers, as well as everything else.

Animal-lovers would be prudent, unless they are rich as well as concerned, to go for a wallaby or a butterfly rather than an elephant. Jumbo will not leave much change from £1 million after it has its special housing, its keeper, and at least one companion - because elephants are sociable. Feeding a lion cannot be done with household scrapings left over before committal of crockery to the dish-washer. The British public concern is at the level of telling the difference between a buffalo and a bison because you cannot wash your hands in a

Yesterday the telephone lines to Windsor buffalo. The antique Romans were more robust about their wild animals.

British attitudes to animals have always been ambivalent and sentimental, a cross between frightened cruelty and soppy anthropomorphism. When wild animals were kept in the Tower of London, it was the first zoo in Europe. Dark Age polar bears were allowed out on a chain to swim in the Thames and catch salmon, instead of being poisoned or bored to death by tourist guides.

The Windsor safari park was one of the first of the new fad of theme parks. It was the next step after the Victorian institution of zoological gardens, viz. cages. But the preterice that the animals were being seen in natural surroundings did not last. Bored lions asleep in the Thames Valley mist could not compete with television wild-life films showing the big beasts killing and copularing ad nauseam, and the final pretence that half-term visitors were vicarious Great White Hunters was removed when the park stopped the baboons tearing the windscreen

wipers off trippers' cars. The essence of lions is that they should give a frisson of power and danger. Without that their occupation has gone in the urbanised world, and they can stop roaring. on their faces on sunny days during the spring and summer. Those of us with skins made more sensitive by the drugs needed to prevent organ rejection (I have a transplant) were advised to use factor 15 sun block. After such a warning it is difficult to

see why CFCs, with their known effect on the ozone layer, should not be phased out as a matter of urgency, In effect it means an enhanced risk particularly as alternatives for refrigeration and air conditioning already exist. Perhaps it is also time for a statement from the Department of Health about ozone depletion side-

At the National Kidney Federa-

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL McNAIR-WILSON (President, National Kidney Federation). Nine Elms, Bucklebury,

Bronze Age boat

From Dr E. V. Wright

Sir. The second phase of excavation of the Bronze Age boat found at Dover has now been completed. The remarkable remains do indeed

have some resemblance, as Mr Sergeant writes (letter, October 19), to those from North Ferriby, Humberside, which were first found by me in 1937 (not 1947) and the Brigg "raft" found in 1888 and re-excavated by McGrail in 1974; but all three examples exhibit marked dissimilarities from each other, the extent of which will be clearer when cleaning and recording of the Dover remains have been undertaken.

What is known so far is that Dover and the Ferriby group are roughly contemporary at about 1300 BC, whereas the Brigg "raft" is some five centuries later while still of the Bronze Age. All three have the bottom braced by transverse timbers through integral deats shaped on the planks. At Dover and Ferriby planks are joined edgewise by individual stitches whilst those

the concealed and inaccessible northern "end" of the Dover boat should be tackled before what is otherwise left below ground is embedded in concreted roadworks. These finds, with some planks from the Severn estuary yet to be described, are the only examples of Bronze Age plank-built

None shows more than one end

features yet unknown.

October 22.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 26: The Queen, accor nied by The Duke of Edinburgh. The Duke of York and The Prince Edward, this evening attended an entertainment organised by the Royal Anniversary Trust to celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of Her Majesty's Accession at Earl's Court, London SW5.

Her Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses were received by the Chairman of the Trust (the Lord Younger of Prestwicki and Mr. Robin Gill (Chairman, Organisation and Executive, and Trusteel. The Queen, accompanied by the

Secretary-General of the Commonwealth (Chief Emeka Anyaoku), received the Commonwealth Mace and Goblets from children from the Commonwealth at the end of the Show

The Prince and Princess of Wales: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon; The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester. The Duke and Duchess of Kent: Prince and Princess Michael of Kent; and Princess Alexandra, the Hon Lady Ogilvy and the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy were also present.
The Duchess of Grafton, the Rt

Hon Sir Robert Fellowes and Lieutenant Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE October 26: The Prince of Wales.

Company, this afternoon attended the Everyman's Library Shakespeare Lunch at the Savoy Hotel, London WC1. Miss Belinda Harley was in attendance. His Royal Highness, Colonel-in-

Chief, the Royal Regiment of Wales, subsequently received Lieutenant Colonel Peter Kernrish on relinquishing command of the lst Battalion at Kensington Palace.

KENSINGTON PALACE October 26: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon this morning visited the Northern Police Convalescent Home. Наггодате

Her Royal Highness was re-ceived on arrival by The Lord Westbury (Deputy Lieutenant of North Yorkshire) The Hon Mrs Wills was in

KENSINGTON PALACE October 26: The Duke of Glouces ter. President, the Britain-Nepal Society, this morning received His Excellency the Ambassador of Nepal (Major General Bharat

YORK HOUSE October 26: The Duchess of Kent today attended the Woman of the Year Luncheon, at the Savoy Hotel, London WC2 Mrs Colin Marsh was in

Birthdays

today Lord Ashtown, 76: Lady Baden-Powell, former chief commissioner. The Girl Guides Association, 56: Mr David Bryant, bowler, 61: Mr John Cleese, actor and comedian, 53; Vice-Admiral Sir John Cox, 64; the Earl of Dunraven, 53; Sir Paul Fox, former managing director, BBC Television, 67: Lord Glendyne, 66; Mr Glen Hoddle, footballer, 35; Sir John Hunt, MP, 63; Mr P.T. Hurst, Chief Taxing Master of the Supreme Court, 50: Lieutenant-General Sir Maurice Johnston, 63: Admiral Sir John Kerr. 55: Major-General H.M. Liardet, 86: Sir Wylie McKissock, neurological surgeon, 86: Sir Anthony Meyer. former MP, 72; Sir Frank Roberts diplomat. 85: Mr Leonard Rosoman, painter. 79; Lieurenant-Colonel W.H.M. Ross, Comptroller Lord Chamberlain's Office, 49: Mr Harry Saltzman, film producer, 77: Professor B.E. Sup-ple, master. St Catharine's College. mbridge, 62; Mr Chris Tavare, cricketer. 38: Dr A.W. Tyson, musicologist, and psychoanalyst.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Desiderius Erasmus. scholar, Rotterdam, 1466; James Cook, navigator, Marton, Yorkshire, 1728: James Macoberson, poet and politician, Ruthven, Highland, 1736; Niccolo Paga-nini, violinist, Genoa, 1782; Andrew Combe, physiologist, Edinburgh, 1797; Isaac Singer, inventor of the sewing machine, Pittstown, New York, 1811; Sir William Smith, founder of the Boys' Brigade, Thurso, Calthness, 1854: Theodore Roosevelt, 26th American President 1901-09, New York, 1858; Dylan Thomas, Doet Swansea, 1914.

DEATHS: Atheistan, King of the English 926-940. Gloucester, 940; George Morland, painter, London, 1806; John Wrottesley, 2nd Baron Wrottesley, astronomer, Wronesley, 1867; Lascelles Abercrombie, poet and critic, London, 1938; Lise Melmer, physicist, pioneer of nuclear fission. Cambridge, 1968; Charles Hawtrey, actor, Deal, 1988. French troops made an unsuccess ful invasion of Ireland, 1798; the Republic of the Congo became

Forthcoming marriages

Mi A.W.G. Markle and Miss B.E. Young The engagement is announced between Alastair, elder son of Mr and Mrs Denis Mackie, of Lissanoure, Co Antrim, and Belinda, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs James Young, of Glasscaly, Co Kildare.

Mr S.J.H. Miller and Miss D.M. Robinson Mr and Mrs W.S. Robinson of Brighouse, West Yorkshire, are delighted to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter. Debra, to Simon James Hanson Miller, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.H. Miller, of Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

and Miss C.M. Douglas The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mrs A.V. Peat and the late Mr W.B. Peat, of Finchampstead, Berkshire, and Catherine, daughter of Mr and

Mrs Jock Douglas, of Culiompton, Dr E.W.A. Petch and Dr A.C. Divett

The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr Adrian Petch, of Paris, and Mrs Jeremy Robson, of Dogmersi Hampshire, and Alison Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Divett, of East Horsley, Surrey. Mr P.J. Swym

and Miss A.K.N. Dunn The engagement is announced between Peter, second son of Mary and the late Richard Swyrry, of Harrow, Middlesex, and Amanda, only daughter of Narcisa and the late Professor Gerald Dunn.

Marriages

Mr G.F. Lock and Miss S.M.C. Howson The marriage took place on Sau-urday, October 17, at the Church of St Mary, Mucklestone, Staffordshire, of Mr Graham Lock yourgest son of Mrs M. Lock, of Lavant, Sussex, to Miss Sophie Howson, only daughter of Mr and Woore. The Rev Mark Turner

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Miss Jane Prince, Miss Katie Friend, Miss Rebecca Guyett and Miss Catherine Palmer. Mr Roger Agate was best man. A reception was held at Tern Hill Hall, Shropshire.

Mr C.R. Noel and Mrs A. Phillips
The marriage took place on Fri-day, October 23, in London, between Mr Richard Noel and Mrs Anne Philips (née Dewhirst)

Insurers' Company The following have been installed officers of the Insurers' Company for the ensuing year:



glamorous portrayal of a nurse. Painted by a Mr Shabner, nothing more is known of the picture's origins, or its use, perhaps in a poster. The exhibition, of over 200 works, opens at the King Street Galleries, St James's, on November 6

Royal engagements The Queen will hold an investinge at Buckingham Palace at 11.00.

The Duke of Edinburgh will visit South Yorkshire and will arrive at the Robens Building, Sheffield, at 9.50

The Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, will receive the award winners for the Duke of Cornwall's award for forestry and conservation run by the Royal Forestry Society of England, Wales and Northern Ireland at St James's Palace at 10.10; and, as Patron of the Royal Opera House, accompa-nied by the Princess of Wales, will attend the gala performance of Otello at the Royal Opera House at 7.20.

ional Film and Television School at Beaconsfield at 9.30. The Princess Royal, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will attend the Save the Children Fund annual meeting at the Inter-national Convention Centre, Birmingham, at 10.50.

Prince Edward will visit the Nat-

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron of Baby Life Support Systems, will attend a private view of a photographic exhibition at the Royal College of Art, Kensington Gore, at 6.45.

Church news

Appointments The Rev Kenneth Wiltin, Assistant Curate, Wolverhampton St. Peter: to be Vicar. West Bromwich St. Andrew W. Christ Church (Lichfield).

The Rev Canon Robert Willis, who is to be Dam of Hereford; to be also Poenin-charge. St. John the Baptist, Hereford.

Hereford.
The Rev Michael Woodmansey, Assistant Curate, South Shoebury: to be Rector, Stifford (Chelmsford). The Rev Peter Adams, Vicar, All Salmts, West Dulwich: to be Vicar, St Mary, Addington (Southwark). The Rev Timothy Berry, assistant curate. St Andrew, Gorleston (Norwich): to be vicar, Grain w Stoke (Rocheszer).

which: to be vicas, crease of the Rev Michael Casterion, vicas, sirkenshaw-Hunsworth, and Chaplain to West Yorkshire Fire Service (Wakefield): to be rector, 3t Peter's, the Chapter of th (Wakefield): to be rector, \$t Peters, Addingham (stadiond). The Rev Richard Cattle, non-stipendiary priest-in-charge, Welford without without and Marson Trussell (Peterborough). The Rev Alan Coates, assistant curate, Bramley w Raventield to be vicar, Aktern, \$t Peter, Dorichter (Steffield). The Rev Irene Durndell: to be parish deacon, Northumberland Heath, and assistant director of training in the dioces of Inchesier.

dioces of linthester.

The Rev Robert Glen, non-sipendlary minister. Yearninster w Ryme Intrinsect and High Stoy: to be also rival dean of Sherborne (Salisbury).

The Rev Christopher Green, Chrain, Christ Church, Bromley (Rochester): to be curate-in-charge. Emmanuel, Tolworth Southward.

and Chairman of the Roo Diocesan Board of Education: cancern source to the control of the carbon and the carbon and carbon of Rochester.

The Rev Peter Holliday, vice, Longdon, and on the staff of Lichfield Cathedral (Lichfield): to be vice, Hely Trinity.

Stratford-upon-avon Comented.

Trinity, (Coventry). (Covenny).

The Rev Michael Howard, Priest-incharge, Cobham w Luddesdowne and
Dode, and diocesan adviser in
Evangelism (Rochester): to be also an bonorary canon of Rochester control of the bonorary canon of Rochester. Cathedral (Rochester). The Rev Andrew Knowles, vicar, Goldsworth Park to be vicar, Wyke, and Diocesson Officer for the Education and Development of Lay

Frople (Guldrord). The Rey John Mann, Rector Bennworth and Shelden and Lasham Bennworth and Shelden and Lasham to be also rural deam of Alom (Winchester). The Rev Andrew Pavibeyi, Chaptain, University College London: to be vicar, St Saviour, Bion Road, Hampstead

White Dove Ball

The White Dove Bail, in aid of the Royal Marsden Hospital, will be held at the Savoy Hotel on November 25. Tickets are £85 inclusive of a champagne reception. Enquiries to 071-352 4686 or 071-402

Luncheons

Everyman's Library
The Prince of Wales, President of the Royal Shakespeare Company, was the guest of honour at the Everyman's Library Shakespeare luncheon held yesterday at the Savoy Hotel. Mr David Campbell presided.Among those present

Wert:
Lady Celestria Noel, Sir Isalah Berlin, OM. Sir Geoffrey Cass, Sir Martin Jacomb, Professor Sir Frank Kermode, Dr Eric Anderson, Mr Mervyn Bragg, Mr Kenneth Branagh, Mr Anthony Burgess, Mr Simon Callow, Miss Marganet Drabble, Mr Richard Byra. Dr Germaine Greet, Mr Mighard Byra. Greet, Mr Mighard Byra. Greet, Mr Mighard Byra. Greet, Mr Mighard Byra. Mr Simon Jenkins, Mr Daniel Johnson, Professor Empry Jones, Miss Felicity Bendal, Mr Bernard Levin, Mr Trevor Nunn, Miss Pruneila Scales, Mr Ned Sherrin, Mr Tom Stoppard, Miss Jenes Suzman, Mr Sam Wanamaker and Mr Tim Warerstone.

The Duchess of Kent was a speaker at the Women of the Year luncheon held yesterday at the Savoy Hotel in aid of the Greater ondon Fund for the Blind.
The Marchioness of Lothian. founder president, presided with Miss Val Arnison, executive chairman, the Hon Diana Makgill and Miss Paddy Campbell, vice-chair-men, and the Countess of Airlie and Mrs Charlome Baden-Powell, vice-presidents. The other speakers were Ms Jung Chang, Miss Janet Freet-Porter and Miss Halen Lederer. The Prink award was pre-sented by the Duchess of Kent to Mrs. Judy Watson. The other goests included:

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The Lady Mayuress of Westminster.
Miss Diane Abbort, MF, Ms Zeinab
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Margaret Beckett, MF, Frokessor
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Sally, Cox, Ms Marcelle d'Angr-Smith,
Miss Lynsey De Paul, Mrs Ruth Deech,

Dame Peggy Fenner, MP, Mr, Marina Fester, Mrs Rosslind Gilmore, Rabbi Amanda Golby, Ms Pat Hawkes, Mrs Frances Heston, Mrs Bridget Hone, Dr Pamela Elrby, Mes Lynda La Planne, Mrs Jean Lambert, Ms Joanne Lawrence, Mrs Doris Lessing, Mrs Eve Martin, Miss June Mendoza, Miss Sary Menkes, Mrs Barbara Mills, OC. Miss Panline Neville-Jones, Miss Bor Pollard, Miss Rebecus Ridgeny, Miss Pess Sanderson, Miss Roby Wax, Ms Dagmar Woodward and Ms Anene Worsley-Taylor.

Sternberg Centre for Judaism Cardinal Josef Glesop, Primate of Poland, was the guest of honour at a hincheon given by the Sternberg Centre for Indaism at 80 East End Road, N3, yesterday. Sir Sigmund Sternberg, Chairman of the Exec-utive Committee of the International Council for Christians and Jews, welcomed the guests who also included the Ambassadors of Poland, France, Hungary and The Netherlands. Judge Israel Fraestein. President of the Board of Deputies of Braish Jews. 2800 SDORE.

Portuguese UK Chumber of

Professor Joso de Deus Pinheiro, Portuguese Foreign Minister, was the speaker at a luncheon of the Portuguese UK Chamber of Commerce held yesterday at Glaziers' Hall. The Portuguese Ambassador presided. Dr A.V. Mascarenhas, chairman, welcomed the guests who included the Lord Mayor of

Canish-UK Chamber of

Lord Phim. MEP, was the guest of honour and speaker at a kincheon of the Danish-UK Chamber of Commence held yesterday at the Danish Club. Mr James G. Davis, chairman, was the host.

Dinners

Shiownights' Comp The Lord Mayor and Lady Maynied by the Sheriff oress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the annual dinner of the Shipwrights Company held last night at Mer-chant Taylors' Hall. Mr David Moore, Prime Warden, presided. The Lord Mayor, Mr Richard Ormand, Director of the National Maritime Museum, and Mr John Hart, Fifth Warden, also spoke. The Prime Warden and 5ir Brian Shaw, Renter Warden, and their ladies received the guests. Captain Malcoim Edge, Deputy Master of Trinity House, and Mrs Edge were among those present. -

Lord Bethell, MEP, Patron of the Europa Club, presided at the annual dinner held last night at the House of Lords. The Hon Douglas Hurd, MP, was the guest of honour and Mr Jack Shrimpton, Chairman of the London North-West Euroconstituency Council, also spoke.

Cardiff Business Club The High Sheriff of South Glamorgan, Mr Alistair Golley, the Chairman of Mid Glamorgan County Council, County Coun-

cilior E.J. Davies, and the President of the Cardiff Business Chib. Sir idwal Pugh, were present at a dinner held by the club at the Royal Hotel, Cardiff, last night. The guest speaker was Lord McGregor of Durris, Chairman, the Press Complaints Com-mission Mr Duncan J.S. Currall, Managing Director, Western Mail and Echo Limited, presided.

Service dinner

52nd Lowland Division Colonel A.S. Weatherhead, Chairman of the 52nd Lowland Division Officers Club, presided at the annual diuner held last night at the City Chambers, Glasgow. Hercenant General Sir Perer Gra-hem. GOC Scotland, was the principal guest.

Appointments

Lord Archer of Sandwell, QC, to be Chairman of the Council on Tribunals.

Mr Jokus Toutonia, QC, has been elected President of the Council of Bers and Law Societies of the

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Robert.

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to Georgius (née Fenwick)
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a. A narrow northern strait h. A boomerang still used near Perth e. Hebridean cinte Answers on page 19

DEATHS ASHBY - On October 25th 1992 peacefully, Frank Prencis George) of Oxford University Catholic Chaptaincy. Very much missed by his wife and family and friends, Regulein at Catholic Chaptaincy. lamily and friends. Requiem it Catholic Chapilatory. Friday October 30th at 1 ptn. followed by cremation for family. No flowers pienes, donations if desired to St. Thomas Moore Trust. Oxford Catholic Chapilatory, St. Akdales, Oxford.

BASSETT - On Sunday October 28th, peacerully at home, Bill. aged 78 years, retired Major Royal Artillery of Mount Ambrose, Redruth, beloved husband of Pat. dearest father of Roger. Dickle, Rupert and Richard, loving grandfather of all his

Robert T - On October 24th, be Georgina (niée Ferrwick) and Milles, a daughter, Sophia Antonia.

Birichall. - On Cetober 18th, at the Clinica Robert.
Paima, Mailoros, to Simon and Jane. a daughter, Annabelie Elizabeth Anno.
PORBES ADAM - On October 21st, at home, to Romailind and Chartile, a daughter, Chariotte Irena, a sister for Bellov and Hal.
HELFER - On October 24th, to Martin and Soc (née Cartyle), a daughter, Rachel Lucy, a sister for Thomas.
Sister for Thomas.

BIRVINE - On October 23th, to Martin and Chartile, a son, Sam Alexander.

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INVINE - On October 23th, to Coma (née O'Briest) und Maccolin.

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Street. London SW3 37Z.

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Prusi and 83, after a long
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Help, PO Box 160, St Albans,
Herts, ALI, 4UO, Funeral
Directors C.R. Wigley, 44
kynaston Road, London
16, (071) 284-8586.

PONNE AB. Concepter 28th HILL - On October 23rd 1992,
Raymond George, aged 66,
after a short libres borne
with great courage, Husband
of Susan, Funeral Service at
Salmy Church, Priday
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followed by privabe cremation. Family flowers only,
donations in lieu. If desired
for Cancer Research may be
sent to Geeson Funeral
Service, Main Street,
Denton, Grantham, NG32
11W, tell (0478) 870202.

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DOMELAS - On October 2850.
Basil Douglas, aged 78.
peacefully at the Hospital of St. Jehn and St. Elembeth.
Funeral Thursday October 29th, 3.50 pm, at Goldens Green Cresselorium (Pasil Caspel). Family Bowers only. Donaftons if desired to Ingertal Cancer Research Fund. 44 Lincoln's Inn.
Fields. London WC2A SPF.

EMAN - On Octoor 25th
1992. Seryl (Pavla),
pescefully at Burrawood.
Groombridge, Kent, after a
short illness, Greek Orthodox
funeral on Thursday October
29th at All Saints Church,
Tolleshum Roights, Essex at
2.30 pm. Flowers welcome
to Richards Fomeral Service,
78 Newland Street, Witham,
tel: (0376) 513114,

PLETCHER Sr Mary Engranuel FADM Gruth Precion), and purchast on Sunday October 28th at Ladywell Convent, Godning, Funeral Mass and Borisi will be held at Ladywell at 11 are on Friday October 30th. 16th, in Washington DC, Constantin Iosiu Sever. dearly loved husband of Duong and beloved son of Valerio (Rich) Georgiscu, former Cabinet Minister of The Royal Romandan Government, and Lygis Bocou Georgescu of Geneva.

GIBSON - On October 24th 1992, peacefully at bome. George Charles, formarily of Buenos Aires, greatly loved busband of kit, father of Derek, Helein and Ronald and Georgina, Fumeral Service at S. Mary's Church, West Mailing, Kent, on Priday October 30th at 3 pm. No flowers please. Denations if desired to George Clisson Cancer Equipment Memorial Fund c/o Viner & Sens Lid. Fumeral Directors, 54 High Street, West Mailing, Kent ME19 GLU.

HAINSWORTH - On October 24th 1992, peacefully, Dr. Sidney Beetham Hainsworth C.B.E. aged 93, of Church Parm. Enloughton, Brough, Past Yorkshire, Beloved husband of Catherina and much loved father of Mary Rose. Carol and Anna, sonsin-law Peter, John and Rodney and sadily misoed grandiather of Clare, Glies, Tim, Cathle, Amanda, Salty and Simon. Private family funeral, Memorial Service at Holy Trinity, Huil. to be arranged.

HEAZELL - On October 22nd,
John Patrick, aged 82.
husband of Mary and father
of Paddy, Anthony and
Gureh, Funeral at Bruton
Church, Someraet, on
Thursday October 29th at
20m. Family flowers only,
donations to R.N.L.I. please.

I.JW, tel: (0476) 870202.

HORNEY - On October 26th 1992. in the genite care of the staff of the Carden House. Humberston, in her 100th year, Norah, widow of Percy Smith Hombry, greatly loved mother of Margaret of Chappet, Essex and Shelia and Lesley Duffill of Old Cae. Grimstoy, grandmother. A very special person. Cremation all Crimsby Crematorium on Friday October 30th at 11.30 am. Family flowers only but should you so wish douations in memory of Grandma' to National Deaf Childrens Society. 4 Church Road, Edgheston, B15 3TD, would be much appreciabed.

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KEMBALL-Williams - Ca
October 20th, suddenly.
Jerrany Richard John,
cherished husband of Juliana
and beloved father of Guy,
aged 50. Requirem Mass at
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Tuesday November 3rd at
2pm followed by burial. No
flowers. Donations if desired
to St Vincent de Paul Society
C/o Brompton Oratory.
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LAWES - On October 24th 1992. Peacefully at home with her family around her. Annette. adorad wife of Johnny. mother of Jame. David, Andrew and Sarah. beloved grandmother and sister of Betty. Funeral at Holy Trinity Church. Sutton Montis, at 2.30 pm on Thursday October 29th. No flowers. Donations if desired to Cancer Research.

LEES - On October 23rd.
peacefully in Nottingham
among her family. Elizabeth,
beloved wife of Dennis and
mother of David, Tessa and
Alan. Funeral Service at
Brancote Crematorium,
Notifingham, on Thursday
October 29th at 2.30 pm.
Family Bowers only
donations if desired to Bread
Cancer Research Fund, City
Hospital, Nottingham.

LEVINE - On October 26th 1992, after a long filness bravely borne. Frank Herbert Levine, son of the late Rev. Ephraim Levine, beloved husband. Father. grandfather and brother. Fuseral has taken piace. Prävers 8 pm at 4 Graham Lodge. Graham Road, Hendon, London NW4.

LONG - On October 23rd
1992, suddenly, Everett aged
70. of Litton Cheney, Dorset,
Formerty of Great Glen,
Leicester, Puneral Service
will take place at Weymouth
Grematorium on Friday
October 30th at 2.30 pm,
Family flowers only,
donations for the Dorset
Respite and Hospice Trust
c/o A.J. Walzety & Son, 91,
East Street, Bridport, Dorset.

DEATHS MHLES - On October 24th, peacefully in hospital, Eric 24th, peacefully in hospital, Eric 24th, peacefully in hospital, Eric 24th, peacefully at home in dearing Millis, dearly loved fuffer of Paul. Semper Recordsumer. Funeral Bervice at Beswich Cremetorium North Chapel on Friday October 29th at 11.30 am. No flowers please, but donations if desired for The British Heart Foundation to E.B. Button & Sons. 24 St John's Street.

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BURIARI - Dn October 25th at 1932, peacefully, Vernot Evenbeld, OHE, Old, in his 69th year, former Chartesthouse, Oxford and British Obympic alleted Columnories: ilong time Sports Editor of Resilers; grandson of Frederick Mongani of Balaceners, Sandway. Cheshire; Sundway. Cheshire; Sund

Everagedd, OBE, ODM, in his 89th year, former Chartes house. Oxford and British Olympic and British Olympic and British Olympic and British Olympic and Enders; grandson of Frederick storpun of Gengorn Caste. Most; son of Cecil & Ada Morgan of Binkemere, Sandiway, Cheshire: hushand of Pausay; father of Thorothy, Inn & Somer and Grandpop of Entity, Katle, Catre, Bophia, Paly, Court, Karissa, Catrions and Roty, Caire, Sophil, Perv. Scient, Karissa, Catrions and Roty. Family Imperal at Church of St. Peter ad Vincula, Wishorough Green, Sussex, at 3.30 pm on Thursday October 29th. No Blowers please, but sonations, if desired, to any children's charfor, Au revolt to a great, good & much leved man. R.I.P.

MOSELSY - On Ossesse 2850, suddenly at bome in Burnham Market, Alpheus (Gregory Scott), aged 79 years, Beloved Insthum of the late Joan Sanderson, Funeral Service to be held at St. Mary's Church, Burnham Westgate. on Monday November 2nd at 11.30 am. Flowers may be sent to S.T. Sutton Funeral Director, Wells-Next. The Sea. (OS2E) 710501.

Owness - Car October Into, peacefully at home. Charles William (Billy) Lt. Colonel. Hodson's Horse Much leved by all. Private crementon.

PATERSON - On October 24th, at home, Stuart Langdon, F.I.C.E. (former Director of Water

(0328) 710301.

1051 - 0 Search Disher 24th 1992, peacefully, after an illness bravely borne, an illness bravely borne, the Elizabeth Arme (nés Hutchison), aged 67, beloved wife of Harny and foving mother of Robert, William and Emma, Service of Thanhesiving at Stoke Gabriel Parish Church at 3pm, Friday October 30th, Family Howers only piesse, Donations, if desired, to Macmillan Navsing Fund c/o Maunder's Funeral Service, 27 Weil Street, Palgnion, Devon, TQS 3AW.

PARE - On October 21st 1992, peacefully at boxes. Dorothy Marry. aged 95 years. Beloved sister-in-iaw of Anne and aunit of Jennifer. Thomas and Caroline and of John. Puneral Service at St Cilies' Church. Woodshock Road. Oxford. on Priday October 30th at 2.15 pm. followers or. if desired. donations in lieu to British Red Cross Society e/o Arthur W Bruch Funeral Directors. 29 Rogers Street. Oxford.

Lengdon. F.I.C.E. (former Director of Water Developments and Irrigation, Tamzasia). Dearly loved by his wife Joan son John and family. Funeral Service at the Exeter and Devon Crematorium. Friday October 30th at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only. Enquiries to LeRoy Funeral Service, 10 Alphington. Road. St Thomas. Exeter. tab. (0392) 55535.

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POLELDEN - On October 21st.
1992. Commander John
Edward Poulden, C.B.E.
aged 77 years of Pathawick.
Glos. Husband of the inte
Valerie Poulden (née
Crowthet), dear fathar of
Richard, grandfather of
Amory and Gervase and
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at 12 noon on Tuesday
November 3rd at St Mary's
Charth.
Donations in ileu of flowers
to The Wildfowl and
Wetlands Trust, Simbridge.
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WELLS - On October 23rd. at South Newton. Amy Mary Coulor 1992, suddenly in hospital. Gordon Heweri. dear Inushand of Vera (Molly). father of James and John. father-in-lew of Jame and grandfather of little Neoth. Funeral on Thursday. All enquiries to Mr. Grierson of Lewis Sofoman Puneral Service. It: Gravesend (0474) 302280.

REED - On October 28th. Also loved by daughter-in-law Jinsmy and John. and all her grandfathdren and grandfather of Meg and the International Service will be held for Takin (D.C.) at Agia Sofia Orthordox Church, Moscow Road. Bayswaper, at 12.30 Sunday November 1st.

James and John. and all her grandchildren and grand-grandfathdren and grandgrandfather. Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Church, London Road. Summingdale, Berishire, at 11 am on Thursday October 29th.

SAMDERSLEY - On October 28th. Memorial Service will be feld at Farm Street Church on Thursday November 28th at 3 pm.

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SEAGER - On October 24th
1992 after a long lithess,
Diana Elizabeth Chée
Shockburgh), peacefully in
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miss him. 9, Via Salota
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IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE DESIGNETT - John Colton, the humour. the kindness, the life is gone from you forever but will remain with us always. Peter and Arm Demost Rietveld. Demost Rietvold.
DEMOST - John Coffee Demost. Granded dure thee wall if forever still forever fare thee well. Love Lesley. Suze and lines.

BIRTHDAYS BRIAN Cooper (Jim) Very Index 50th birthday benny. All my jore, Wendalle XXX. SERVICES.

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DR CHRISTOPHER OUNSTED

Dr Christopher (Kif) Ounsted, physician and academic, died in Oxford on October 7 aged 71. He was born on August 8, 1921.

IN THE 1960s the Park Hospital in Oxford became a celebrated venue for neuropsychiatric research and one of the leading centres in Europe. In due course it was recognised as a national facility for the treatment and research into epilepsy. These pioneering developments were a credit to Ounsted's creativity and vision and the reams that gathered round him. In spite of being a busy clinician he transformed the Park Hospital into an international forum for postgrad-uates and visiting academics who were attracted by the wealth of ideas and new concepts generated there. Ounsted was educated at Christ's

Hospital and University College, Oxford. He graduated in medicine in 1945, subsequently obtaining his diploma in child health in 1946 and spent time in the RAF before returning to Oxford in 1948.

Ounsted was an Oxford man of science of such wide and varied learning that he can be fairly described as a polymath. As a physician he trained under Dr Victoria Smallpiece, a distinguished Oxford paediatrician, who also pointed him in the direction of the new sub-speciality of paediatric neurology. Subsequently, he trained in psychiatry and combined his paediatric and psychiatric expertise

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as a child neuropsychiatrist.
However, the dominant theoretical
and intellectual influence which dictated the direction of his life's research was acquired indirectly from his study of the works of Darwin. He was fascinated by Charles Darwin's mammoth biological insights, but particularly by Darwin's biographical sketch of one of his own infants

published in 1877 - 37 years after collecting the data. In Ounsted's preface to the republication in Developmental Medicine in 1971 he wrote that Darwin had spanned developmental psychology in a single sweep. Ournsted highlighted a love of science, industry in observing and collecting facts, a fair share of invention and unbounded patience in long reflections over any subject prior to publication. Hence the origins of Ounsted's biographical and ethological approaches in research.

The latter approach paralleled in humans the ethologist's observations of animals in their natural habitat with attempts to determine factors that governed that behaviour.
Ounsted was widely read, especially in philosophy and logic, and had an encyclopaedic memory. Thus he was well qualified to stride easily across the memory. the major domains of child development such as health and illness, neurology, ethology, psychiatry and

psychology. His research was as diverse as his interests. In his study of epilepsy in childhood in the Oxford region he built in biological, biographical and ethological dimensions: this was the basis of his Oxford doctorate of medicine and constituted the foundation of his future work in epilepsy. In due course this became the basis of his international recognition in the

It was, 100, the basis of his classic paper on the hyperkinetic syndrome in epileptic children; and his work on biographical factors and also out-come in temporal lobe epilepsy with Janet Lindssy); and (with David Taylor) on the outcome of seizures in response to fever. The epilepsies provided an opportunity for research into sex differences in disease which gave rise to advanced hypotheses



about the function of the human Y chromosomes (with David Taylor).
The significance of ethological dimensions was underlined in the study of the hyperkinetic syndrome. These methods were extended by the systematic observations of behaviour which, combined with the use of telemetry, allowed neurophysiologi-cal and behaviour data to be correlated in both epileptic and autistic

children (with John and Corinne

Other studies in the 1960s highlighted the important distinctions between infantile autism on the one hand and adolescent and adult schizophrenia on the other. This decade saw major contributions to forensic child psychiatry and the beginnings of Ounsted's collabor-ation with his wife Margaret in her

studies on foetal growth. The latter was a fast developing area of research

the Oursteds, using the science of biographies, argued cogently from a number of vignettes that because of other major factors of large impor-tance, but also individual differences of growth and development, postnatal growth could not be dosely

predicted from birthweight.
Ounsted had wide respect for other
professional disciplines which
allowed him to share responsibility
for children and their families with social services and occupational therapists. This was reciprocated. Thus, Oxford psychiatry, through the Park Hospital and social services in the city and county of Oxford (in collaboration with Lucy Faithful and Barbara Kahan), was for a long period seen as providing a model service. These links were facilitated by the brilliant insights that emerged from psychosocial research.

He and colleagues described some of the responses of abused children by the coining of the phrases "frozen watchfulness" and "gaze aversion" to depict reactions of such children to their abusive environment; and also the critical path of events which often led inexorably to abuse, derived from comparing the biographies of abused children with their unharmed siblings (with Margaret Lynch, Rhoda Oppenheimer and Jackie Roberts). Then Ounsted turned his attention to adopted families referred for psychiatric advice (with Michael

Humphrey).

While he was personally highly creative, he also had the knack of stirring his students to generate their own creativity, both by his own enthusiasms and his capacity to enthuse others.

He married in 1945 Margaret Wilder who died in 1988. They had one son and three daughters.

ROGER MILLER

Roger Miller, country singer and songwriter, died of cancer in a Los Angeles hospital on October 25 aged 56. He was born in Fort Worth. Texas, on January 2, 1936.

AS STEEPED in Americana as any painting by Norman Rockwell, the best of Roger Miller's songs were tuneful but sharply observed, their surface sweetness balanced by his under-appreciated facility for tart social comment. Prized commercially more for his whimsy than his wit, Miller crossed over from his Country and Western roots to enjoy mainstream success in the mid-1960s, at a time when few native American performers were able to withstand the British chart invasion mounted by such disparate performers as The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, The Who, Marianne Faithfull and Penula Clark, Between 1964 and 1966, he was rewarded

Although born a Texan, Miller was raised on an Oklahoma farm by an aunt and uncle, and while still a child proved himself a versatile musician mastering drums, fiddle, guitar, banjo and piano, and writing his first song at the age of five. His performing debut came shortly afterwards before 37 classmates in the town's one-room schoolhouse. He was less motivated academically and dropped out of high school, supporting himself with a series of odd jobs while singing material selfwritten in a style heavily influenced by Hank Williams in small venues all over the

with 11 Grammys.

After serving in the Army in Korea, he moved to Nashville, where he was hired as a comedian to join singer Ray Price's touring show. Price recorded Miller's song "Invitation To The Blues" in 1958. and this exposure helped the young writer to his own RCA contract. He enjoyed just one country hit for the label, "When Two Worlds Collide".

and joined Faron Young's band as a drummer in 1962. In 1964 record producer Jerry Kennedy signed him to the Smash label, however, and

he had immediate success "King of the Road", with its hobo's eye view of the world realised perfectly through Miller's laconic drawl, was an international bit in 1965 and inspired an answer song. Queen of The House", from Jody Miller - no kin. "England Swings", an affectionate folksy tribute to Carnaby Street-era London, and the jaunty "Walkin" in The Sun-shine" prolonged his period of success, and were followed by his most thoughful and offehis most thoughtful and off-covered song, the whimsical "Little Green Apples". In America, the cumulative impact of these hits brought Miller his own NBC-TV variety show, but the pressures of mainstream success proved detrimental to his writing, as did an addiction to amphetamines.

When the solo hits dried up. Miller label-hopped unsuc-cessfully for a while. In 1973 he lent his distinctive voice to



the soundtrack of the Disney's Robin Hood. "Old Friends". on which he was partnered by Ray Price and Willie Nelson, rehabilitated his singing career briefly in 1982, but a decisive return to the spotlight four years later was achieved via songwriting. Big River, Miller's first effort at writing for the stage, won seven Tony awards in 1985. Based on The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn it ran on Broadway for

two and a half years.

He is survived by his third wife Mary, a former member of Kenny Rogers' backing group The First Edition, and seven children.

ROGER GRAY, QC

Roger Ibbotson Gray, QC, died at Gloucester on October 18 aged 71. He was born on June 16. 1921.

ROGER Gray epitomised the elegant Bar of his generation. Proud always to remember the enduringly earthly qualities of all Yorkshiremen, he never forgot that the virtues were grounded in cricket, at which he excelled both at Wycliffe and after the war at Oxford.

They were indeed the years of promise. After a good war in the Ayrshire Yeomanry, to which he was devoted, he emerged to resounding debate in the Union of Roy Jenkins, Tony Wedgwood Benn, Kenneth Tynan, Edward Boyle and William Rece-Mogg, becoming a distinguished president in 1947. A first in law and the licence to contend for the hopeless constituency at Dagenham

seemed to be the early steps

towards a classic parliamenta-ry career to join those smiling companions of the Union photographs.

But he confined himself to a successful common law prac-tice, to taking Silk in 1967 and to what he valued most highly, the exercise of friend-ship. He was an immensely chabbable, amusing companion as well as a doughty advocate. He will perhaps be most warmly remembered by a very numerous stream of

young men and women to whom in his set of chambers he proudly represented an older generation of courtesy and sympathy, because he never allowed the intellect (which he disclaimed) to interiere with good sense. He wanted to bring on and

support the young in the traditions of the Bar, which he cherished, rather than in the atmosphere of market forces which even then clouded the horizons; and the young re-

he will surely be remembered with affection also by his friends and political mentors at the Cariton Club where his Oxford friends had become heirs to the Disraelis and Salisburys that his love of history allowed him to admire. Political historian he could

sponded with a memorable affection. Outside the Temple

have become, but he remained in the law and to the disappointment of his wide circle of friends at the Bar and solicitors he was destined to stay in Silk, often as recorder and deputy High Court judge instead of as permanent incum-bent on the High Court bench for which he had all the attributes.

It was only last year that he

was able to leave his London Chambers for Gloucestershire with his wife, Lynne, to a happy, indeed elegaic, retirement now sadly cut short. He leaves, also by his first marriage, his son Randail.

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KENNET (c) A small dog used in hunting, from the Old French chieset a doglet or little dog: "My father keepes an open table for all kindes of dogges. He hath your Lurcher, your Spaniell, your Kennets."

KIDDLE (b) A dam, weir, or barrier in a river, having an opening in it fitted with nets or other appliances for catching fish, from the medieval Anglo-Latin kidelar. "A kiddle consists of a series of stakes forced into the ground, with a similar row approaching them at an angle. Where the two rows approach, a large set erbag is placed for the purpose of catching the fish."

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personality and a large direct simplicity and frankness which, combined with his huge frame, swarthy features, bushy beard, and somewhat humbering carriage, made an impression which never could be forgotten. There was a fine open-air breeziness about the man which made his company a delight and added a zest to the game.

As he came towards the wicket, walking heavily with shoulders rounded, his great girth outlined by his coloured sash, one would have imagined that his day was past. He seemed slow, stiff and heavy at first. When he had made 50 in his slow methodical manner he was somewhat younger and fresher. At the end of a century he had not turned a hair, and was watching the was well on towards his sixtieth year, I all that was foul.

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The creator of Sherlock Holmes was described as a "fair cricketer" who played in many good second-class matches. The mous doctor's funeral had taken place on the previous day.

ball with as clear an eye as in the first over. It was his advice to play every ball as if it were the first - and he lived up to it. He stood very clear of his wicket. bending his huge shoulders and pre-senting a very broad face of the bat towards the bowler. Then, as he saw the bowler advance, he would slowly raise himself to his height, and draw back the blade of his bat, while his left toe would go upwards until only the heel of that

easy sureness with which one would bounce a tennis ball with a racket. The fastest bowler in England sent one like a cannon-shot through his beard with only a comic shake of the head and a good-humoured growl in reply.

He was an innovator among bowlers, for he really invented the leg-theory. Grace's traps at leg were proverbial in the seventies. He would lumber up to the wicket, and toss up the ball in a takeit-or-leave-it style, as if he cared little whether it pitched between the wickets or in the next parish. As a matter of fact his careless attitude covered a very remarkable accuracy. He was full of guile, and the bad ball which was worth four to you was sent, as likely as not, to unsettle you and lead you on.

He was, and will remain, the very impersonation of cricket, redolent of fresh air, of good humour, of conflict

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Maastricht: Tories plot retreat

The government is considering another retreat, this time on the Maastricht Bill. Backbenchers want John Major to hold the treaty debate on a technical motion, thus avoiding a rebellion. Ministers are examining the proposal but Mr Major was said to be standing firm last night.

The move follows a meeting between Sir George Gardiner. chairman of the right wing 92 Group, and Richard Ryder, the chief whip. One senior minister described Mr Major's

Confirmation yesterday that Labour will vote against the government means that 31 Conservative rebels would be enough to defeat Mr Major. Tory whips are working to persuade 50 backbench waverers to swing their votes behind the government....

Signals ignored

A train driver described yesterday how his train was hit from behind by another in the Severn Tunnel after signalmen told him to pass a red light Page 5

Cancer case

A smoke screen will be offered by British Nuclear Fuels to cover up evidence of a rash of childhood cancers around the Sellafield nuclear plant, the High Court was warned yesterday..... Page 3

Safari jobs go

Windsor Safari Park made 90 of its 140 staff redundant yesterday after its abrupt closure over the weekend. The remaining staff will continue to care for the animals until the park can be sold by the receivers...

Council threat

The district council at Utilesford in Essex will be bankrupt within four weeks if refugees from the former Yugoslavia continue to arrive at Stansted airport, the Conservative council leader warned yesterday

'ignoramus' charge

Jocelyn Stevens, chairman of English Heritage, was branded "an unsuitable ideological ignoramus" by Labour in the Commons..... Page 8

Killer jailed

A man who strangled a seven year old schoolboy after a sex attack and then went babysitting for friends, was jailed for Page 3

Clinton and the UK

After 12 years of symbiotic conservative governments in Britain and America, the so-called "special relationship" will face new tests if Bill Clinton wins next Tuesday's presidential ... Page 13

Abortion protest

Today, 25 years after the 1967 Abortion Act came into force, Tory MP Ann Winterton leads a parliamentary delegation to Downing Street to protest against a legal framework for abortion which she and others believe allows abortion on demand

Globe plan unveiled

Plans for the reconstruction of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre have been finalised. Stage designs are based on scholarly conjecture and archaeological exploration

Abuse report

National guidelines on interviewing victims of child sex abuse and legislation on parents' rights and responsibilities are likely to be recommended in the Orkney judicial enquiry report, out today...

Rabin attack

Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's prime minister, blamed his Arab negotiating partners - Syria, Lebanon and the Palestinians - for increased violence which left six Israeli soldiers dead in attacks on Sunday.....

ikea, the Swedish for Habitat

Farewell, perhaps, cheap red enamel mugs, made in Poland: the founding symbol of Sir Terence Conran's Habitat, along with basket-weave chairs and paper lampshades. Now the Swedish chain, Ikea, has bought Habitat, one of the last surviving icons of the Sixties. Before Habitat, the high street furniture store was a mausoleum....



How... can I win? George Bush talks with a Crowe tribe member during campaigning in Montana. Page 13

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Storehouse: Another of the great retailing empires of the 1980s was unwound with the announcement that Storehouse is to sell its Habitat and Richards subsidiaries for £108 Pages 3, 21

STEEL 147

Rugby Union: Just when South Africa has re-entered the portals of international sport on so many fronts, a potent threat to present and future rugby tours emerged . Page 40

Footbalt: The Potteries will prove the focus of FA Cup attention when Stoke City are at home to Port Vale when the first round is played on

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Cricket: As the Indian team arrived in South Africa, home officials were relieved by renewed assurances that the tour had the blessing of the African National CongressPage 36

Flying In: Today British soldiers start flying to the Balkans as part of the UN humanitarian effort. What can they achieve?

Safety first? Following yesterday's launch of a campaign to promote condoms, The Times asked a variety of people about attitudes to sex and safety _... Page 15

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Zap! Pow! Davina Lloyd's child is a nice lad, so why is he slaughtering people via video games?.. Page 15

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Galleries: Poussin paintings brought together in Birmingham, especially two versions of Tancred

and Erminia, showing the great 17th century classicist's ... Page 29 Television review: Cutting Edge

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Opera: Gii equivoci and Der Vampyr at the Wexford Festival: disappointing productions by comparison with Il piccolo Marat. Plus, Falstaff by the English Touring Opera at Wimbledon

Rain will clear most of Britain during the morning, though it

Life and birth: Sally Hughes argues that the court decision to enforce a cassusan on a woman means that

a fear of reprisal bangs over all women in Britain Page 33 Under review: Powers to investigate alleged miscarriages of justice should be taken away from the home secretary and given to an

independent panel comprising lawyers and lay people Page 33 Logal aid: The Law Society is worried about the proposed contracting out of legal aid Page 35

Euro law: Most forms of growth are proving clusive, but there is plenty of it in the lobbying business, especially among lawyers hired to lobby

BBC 2 gives over most of the eve-

Tonight's choice

ning to the Georg Solid birthday performance of Verdi's Otello from the Royal Opera House, with Domingo and Te Kanawa Later. BBC 1 reprises Psycho, Hitchcock's attempt to wipe out the shower ____. Page 39 industry....-

Shadow boxing

The Conservative party is bracing itself for a battle that need never have happened. Next Wednesday, in a paving debate on Europe, party splits will be inutally exposed. The prime minister has staked his regulation, and possibly the continuance of his government, on winning the vote. The debate is unnecessary Page 17

Jungle gone broke

There is a jungle out there in the market-place, because of the recession. Yesterday the telephone lines to Windsor safari park were inundated with calls from the caring British public, offering to adopt the 600 animals that have been made redundant because the park has gone into receivership Page 17

Onus on Chine

The Chinese have failed to make the case that (Mr Patten's) constitutional reforms contravene either Britain's treaty obligations or China's Basic Law

ANTHONY HOWARD

Clinton's final pitch became a pies. to his audiences to imagine how they would feel if they woke up on November 4 to discover that they faced another four years of Republican rule.....

LYNNE TRUSS

There is something very peculiar going on in the retail trade. In what feels like the ultimate scrabble for custom before the whole thing goes under, shops are offering implausibly huge inducements, which tend to confuse us, and make us ding (paradoxically) more tightly than

For four years Mr Bush has been treating the critical issues of taxes and the deficit as a political prop and toy - Washington Post

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Ross Perot, who thick- Bryan Gould, who re- Terry Marsh, the Brit- Alan Bermett, for ened the Us election plot with claims of a Republican dirty tricks campaign involving his daughter's head on a (nude) body. Page 13



front bench over Europe, makes a rallying call to fellow MPs: vote against Maastricht next week, he says. Page 16

may be into the afternoon before it clears in parts of northern Scotland. It will become brighter, with showers developing in

many places, though these may merge to give longer periods of rain in southern England this afternoon. The showers will be

heavy at times in the west, and wintry over mountains. The winds will strengthen in exposed western parts. Outlook: more rain.



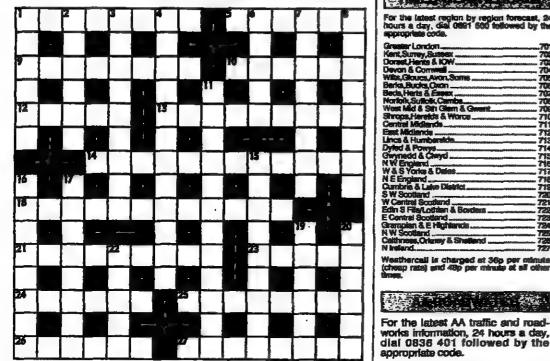
signed from Labour's ish former world boxing champion, who is being sued for libel by his former manager, the fight promoter Frank Warren



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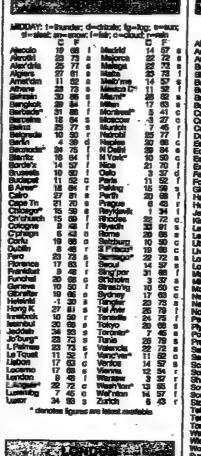
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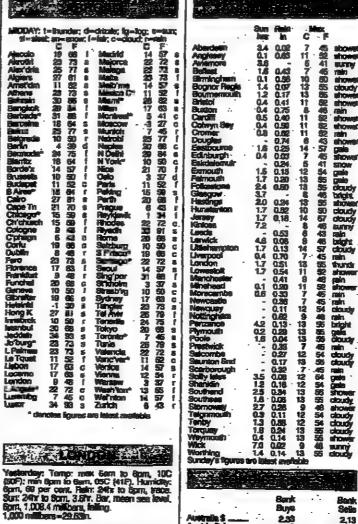
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- 8 The game's up nothing taken from low income bracket (8). 11 Rhino brought under control — 1 swear it! (6,6).
- 15 A woman accepts an IOU about a pound - she's very fair
- 16 A long film featuring the same outbreak (8).
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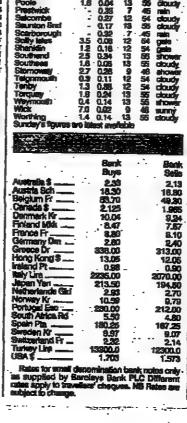
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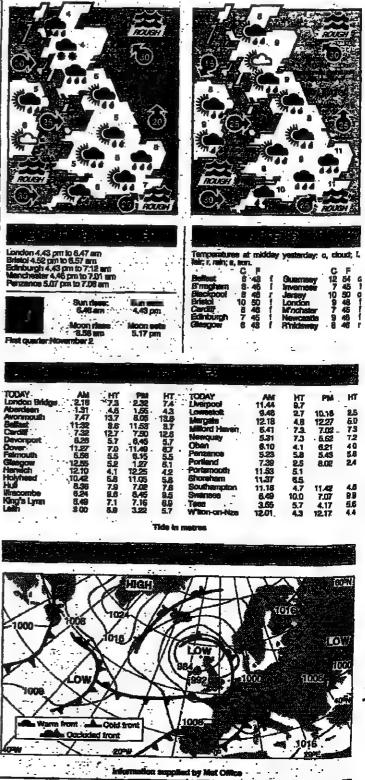
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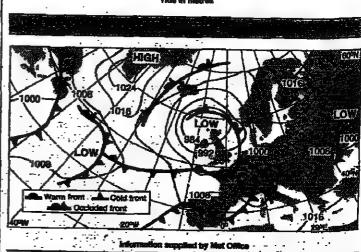


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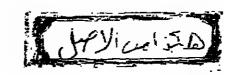








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Tony Edwards, who is Industries, will not for loss of office

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The law needs an independent body to tackle miscarriages of justice, Anthony Edwards argues Pages 33-35

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Prices and profits slide across Europe

Slump forces 20% output cut at British Steel

By Ross Treman AND PATRICIA TEHAN

BRITISH Steel is to cut production by 20 per cent and put much of its workforce on short-time. It blames a worldwide slump in demand for steel

products. The cutbacks spotlight a crisis in the European steel industry. Recession and cheap imports from former communist countries have combined with reluctance by state-owned producers to cut output. The result has been a collapse of

prices and profitability. European industry ministers are expected to review the state of the steel industry when the council of ministers meets in Brussels on November 24.

The chairmen of Europe's leading steeimakers have called on governments and the European Commission, for a 4 billion ecu (£3.2 billion) restructuring plan, involving the loss of 50,000 jobs, to cut capacity. The commission will face renewed pressure to put

BRITISH Gas has been ad-monished by the Financial Reporting Review Panel over

the presentation of its finan-

After a change of year-end.

the company twice included a

three-month period. While the

overall profit figure for 1991

has not been affected, the

panel is sending out a clear

signal that companies are expected to follow the rules.

Price Waterhouse, the auditor, did not qualify the change, which was explained in the

But Nick St.John, British

Gas chief financial account-

ant, said such problems could

be avoided if the panel and

Accounting Standards Board were more approachable. "With the Securities and Ex-

notes to the accounts.

cial accounts.

Europe's leanest steel company puts staff on short time, blaming recession

and cheap imports

pean products. British Steel said the production cut during the third quarter meant employees would be put on shorttime, though it was unable to say how many. The company

plans to review production again in December, "in the light of market conditions". All four of its integrated steel plants. at Teesside. Scunthorpe. Port Talbot and Llanwern, will be affected. Unions were enraged that British Steel announced the production cutback without

informing them first.

John Weakley, chief steel negotiator for the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union, said: "British Steel is the leanest and fittest steel company in Europe, if not the world. This decision has come

with the review panel and ASB. It seems a bit of a

The panel has said it is not

in the business of giving advice. After talks with British

Gas it accepts there was no

intention to mislead and does

The panel has also criticised

SEP industrial Holdings for

failing to depreciate the value

of some industrial freehold

properties. The auditor to

SEP, Bloomer Heaven, had

on ten companies since it was

set up to police company

accounts in January 1991. Its biggest coup has been forcing Trafalgar House to include a

property writedown in its ac-

The panel has commented

qualified the accounts.

not propose further action.

weakness in the system."

Review panel criticises

British Gas accounts

BY JON ASHPORTH

Court, forecasts a £90 million first-half loss. He expects the interim dividend to be cut from 3p to 1p, if not axed. The European steel market is hugely oversupplied and

underlines the gravity of the slump in manufacturing."

Shares in British Steel fell

6 p to 56p as analysts down-

graded their forecasts for the

half year to September 30, due on November 16. The com-pany was floated in December

Ian Lowe, of Smith New

1988 at 125p a share.

high stock levels were further increased by overproduction in August. Germany's Thys-sen Stahl has cut production by a quarter and last week Europe's biggest producer, Usinor Sacilor of France, revealed a first-half net loss of 360 million francs.

Tumbling worldwide de-mand for steel, combined with a £100 million charge for closing the Ravenscraig plant. in Scotland, pushed British Steel into a £55 million loss for the year to March 31. The total dividend was cut from 8.75p to 4.5p. Analysts fore-cast a £150 million loss for the current year. In the 12 months to March, British Steel cut its Dy . 7,000, 44,000. Ravenscraig's closure will reduce that to 42,000 and

more jobs are expected to go. In 1967, when 14 companies were nationalised to form British Steel, the busi-ness had 250,000 employees. Production was 23.2 million tonnes a year. The company now claims to be the most efficient steel maker in

Europe. But it has had difficulty in penetrating overseas markets dominated by state steel firms. UK demand has been limited by slow growth in manufacturing and by the trend to lighter materials such as aluminium or plastic.
This year, British Steel is

unlikely to produce more than 12 million tonnes of a total national steel output forecast at 16 million tonnes. ☐ Thousands of Spanish

steelworkers marched through Madrid to protest against industry reform plans that would cost nearly 10,000 jobs.

The way it was: British Steel employed 250,000 when it was nationalised; the figure is now down to 44,000

Storehouse disposes of Habitat

By Jonathan Prynn

ANOTHER great retailing e of rue 13902 Maz mu wound yesterday with the announcement that Storehouse is to sell Habitat and Richards for £108 million.

The long expected disposals mean that Storehouse, founded by Sir Terence Conran in 1986, will comprise only the BhS, Mothercare and Blazer chains, although Blazer is also up for sale.

The management at Store nouse, completely overhauled in recent years, said they were delighted at being able to offload the loss-making Habi-tat David Dworkin, the chief executive, described the deal as "a dream come true". David Simons, group finance director and chairman of Habitat since 1991, is to leave the company next March.

Habitat Europe, compris-ing the 37 French and Span-ish stores and the 39 UK stores, has been sold for £78 million to the Dutch Sitchting Ingka Foundation, owner of Ikea, the Swedish furniture book value of £7 million.

The 19 US stores, operating as Conran's Habitat, are not included in the deal but Storehouse said yesterday it is in talks at an "advanced stage" with a potential purchaser. The US stores are heavily lossmaking and lost £7.7 million on sales of £29 million last year. Any sale will be at a nominal price and would involve an extraordinary provision of about £25 million.

Richards, the fashion chain, of 213 UK stores, made £1 million profit last year and is being sold to Sears for £30 million. The sales will leave Storehouse with net cash of about £80 million.

Ikea's habitat, page 22

Hang Seng bubble bursts

FROM LULU YU IN HONG KONG

The stock index and turn-

over had reached record highs

last week. Market reaction to

the outcome of China's party

congress was positive, and the

along with the promise of ac-

HONG KONG'S stock marthe pace of democracy in ket has dropped sharply after a Hong Kong, accusing him of being confrontational and vioparticularly_strong_two-week bull run. The Hang Seng index yesterday lost 200 lating agreements between China and Britain. : per cent, to close a 6,062 as alarm over deteriorating Sino-British relations gripped the colony.

investors finally realised the implications of Governor Chris Patten's failure to resolve political and financial disputes with China. Peking launched a sharp attack on Mr Patten, threatening to impose its own government in Hong Kong in 1997 and

withdraw support for the colony's new airport.

Mr Patten's plans to speed up

prospect of a Democratic victory in America was beginning to cause less concern.
"China's reform package, China was most annoyed by

cess to open markets following the settlement of the Sino-US trade dispute, ignited strong overseas buying." said Alex Tang of Hong Kong's Dau Heng Securiues.

тие рошисы апо Analysts expect a bear run disputes are not new, but investors had chosen to ignore as investors take stock of Chithe consequences. They were na's criticisms of Mr Patten. optimistic that the new gover-But some believe the market's nor would resolve the differ-ences in Peking last week. long-term prospects are good.
"What we have here is a dif-

ference of opinion that is really only short term as the territory is going to revert to China in 1997, regardless of what Mr cahy of Peregrine Brokerage.

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counts, reducing pre-tax profits by £102.7 million. change Commission, you can Twelve companies are belie-Stock market, page 24 superstore group. The sale clear what you want to do in Unkindest ents, page 25 advance. You can't do that ved to be under investigation. includes repayment of intercompany loans of £24 million and gives a surplus over net

LAST night, The Times was named as the Personal Finance National Newspaper of the Year by the Bradford & Bingley Building Society as part of its annual media

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Times wins finance award



The award was presented to Lindsay Cook, personal fi-nance editor, by Lady Denton of Wakefield, the consumer affairs minister, at the Savoy Hotel, London. It is the third time that Miss Cook has collected the award in its six-

Geoffrey Lister, chief executive of the Bradford & Bingley, said: "The Times has been

awards for the sector. The judges included Sir Bernard Ingham, former Downing Street press secretary. Diana Wright of The Sun-

Year. BBC's Watchdog programme won a special award for drawing attention to the

Cook: third-time winner awarded the prize for the problem of closed bank and building society accounts.

Bundesbank on November 2. Although the trip was planned before the dramatic

tion of Britain's Black Wednesday. The same committee called in at the Bundesbank once before, in 1990, when the hot topic was German monetary union, one of the root causes of Britain's

events of last month, the committee's

investigation in Frankfurt will naturally

encompass the Bundesbank's interpreta-

Chances that the Bundesbank will nourish British hopes of a general remains price stability.

ERM debacle.

Forget London — MPs try Frankfurt

BY COLIN NARBROUGH ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

IN WHAT appears to be yet another manifestation of backbench power, members of the Commons Treasury select committee next week journey to Frankfurt in search of authoritative guidance from the Bundesbank on the conduct of British economic policy. Norman Lamont used a timely open

letter to the cross-party committee during the Conservative conference to enunciate his hastily drafted strategy for life outside the exchange-rate mechanism. The Chancellor's Mansion House speech on Thursday, will hopefully provide greater insight into the management of the economy, now supposedly free of any Bundesbank chains. But the select committee is clearly not prepared to base its report on the shifting sands of present policy. In recognition of the key role the German central bank has played in the direction of the British economy over the past two years, and particularly its part in sterling's "temporary" suspension from the ERM, the MPs have decided to question Bundesbank officials face-to-face. The floating pound, meanwhile, shed

almost 34 pfennigs yesterday in London to close at DM2.4371, and retreated more than 2½ cents against a stronger dollar to \$1.5885, its lowest finish since December 1989.

John Watts, Conservative MP for Slough and select committee chairman. will lead his team of parliamentary inquisitors on a one-day visit to the

monetary easing in Europe, were under-mined yesterday by Helmut Schlesinger, the central bank's president. Faced with the likelihood that German inflation will climb again next year, he reaffirmed that the Bundesbank's core commitment

Departing Lucas chief to receive no payoff

By MARTIN WALLER DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

TONY Edwards, the man who seemed destined to take over the helm at Lucas Industries but is expected this week to become head of the aerospace division at T! Group, will not receive any compensa-Anthony Gill, the Lucas chairman and chief executive, de-

dared yesterday.
Mr Edwards has told the board that he wishes to leave Lucas in the near future but has yet to resign formally as managing director.

Sir Anthony denied the market's assumption that Mr Edwards's departure meant the loss of the heir-apparent at one of Britain's biggest engi-

neering groups.
"Mr Edwards had no reason other than his own hopes and ambitions to believe he would be made chief execurive," he said. He hoped Mr Edwards would formally resign from the board shortly. "I'm not 100 comfortable with anybody working for us who hasn't got their heart and soul

He refused to enlarge on the board's reasons for deciding that Mr Edwards had proved "unsuitable" for the chief exec-

☐TI Group has sold its furnaces operation to a subsidiary of Germany's Ruhrgas group for £38 million. The disposal is part of the strategy of ridying the group into three main business areas: fluid carrying systems, engineered seals and aerospace. Ti can also expect to receive an additional 54 million, reflecting assets being sold in the course

of this year. The group is selling most of the capital goods division of its thermal technology business. but not Cambridge Vacuum Engineering, a maker of furnaces and electron beam welding machinery.

The businesses being sold had combined sales of £81 million, pre-tax profits of C3 million and net assets of £16 million at the 1991 year end.

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Looking forward to profits: Alan Bowkett, new chief of Berisford, hopes the financial restructuring of RCI will plug the drain on resources

Lloyd's names take legal campaign to Brussels

BY OUR INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

LOSS-MAKING Lloyd's names have turned to the European Commission for redress in the long legal campaign against the insurance market.

As a result, actions against Lloyd's and its constituent agency firms are being pursued in six legal jurisdictions - Britain, America, Canada. Australia, New Zealand, and now the European Community. So far, Lloyd's has been successful in seeing off the legal threats.

In the latest legal development, a sample of five names. representing the Lloyd's Deposit Defence Group, vesterday delivered a 100-page complaint against Lloyd's to the European Commission, under the competition rules of Articles 85 and 80 of the Treaty of

The group is calling for

Lloyd's Names have taken their complaint to Europe, alle ging self-regulation has been displaced by selfinterest in the insurance market, to block the drawdown of deposits

Lloyd's, blocking the seizure of names' deposits while the complaint is being considered. The complaint argues that "the function of self-regulation at Lleyd's has been displaced by that of self-interest", and that this effectively invalidates Lloyd's immunity from suit under the 1982 Lloyd's Act.

A Lloyd's spokesman said the action would be fought "all the way down the line". He said Articles \$5 and \$6 of the Treaty of Rome were concerned with trade between member states and not with insurance competition. "It is totally unclear what the com-

petition arguments are." said the spokesman. He added: "We are always well aware of Articles 85 and 86."

The complaint outlines the now familiar catalogue of complaints against Lloyd's that it failed in its supervision of the market, that working names were given preferential access to profitable syndicates. and that names were not kept adequately informed.

Richard Slowe, a partner at SJ Berwin, the law firm representing the names, said the action could potentially benefit all the 10,000 names on the various action groups campaigning for financial redress.

A meeting of the Deposit Defence Group, which works with the Lloyd's Writs Response Group, has been called for November 26 at Westminster Central Hall. The Writs Response Group represents the interests of the 200 names who last year failed to meet their personal solvency levels required by Lloyd's. A new wave of writs may follow after this year's November 5 solven-

y deadline. The European action against Lloyd's is likely to run simultaneously with a number of legal actions in the UK courts against underwriting and member agencies at Lloyd's but will probably precede any domestic actions against Lloyd's itself. It will bring further pressure to bear on the smoke-filled rooms at Lloyd's where settlement deals between errors and omissions underwriters and representatives of aggrieved names are being decided.

Berisford acts on **RCI loss**

By Angela Mackay

BERISFORD International, the property and agri-business group, should return to profits this year after plugging the drain on resources caused by Rayner Coffee International, the loss-making commodity trader.

Berisford, under the aegis of its new chief executive, Alan Bowkett, announced a financial restructuring of its 45 per cent-owned subsidiary. whereby it replaces its \$115 million guarantee against RCl's loans with a commitment to pay \$45 million to RCl's banks by end-March.

The group is also paying \$26 million for some of RCI's assets where "it is believed some further limited recovery should be possible in the long term". The consideration will be discharged by a reduction in the secured debt now due from RCI to Berisford.

When its exposure is eliminated, Berisford will make a court perition for the winding-up of RCL

Storehouse deal takes Ikea out of its natural habitat

By JONATHAN PRYNN

design."

KEA's assault on the British furniture market has displayed all the ruthless brutality of a Viking raid. The Swedish company opened its first super shed as recently as 1987 but is already vying for the title of the biggest furniture retailer in the United Kingdom.

Three stores are already operating. A fourth, based in Croydon, south London, is due to open soon. The concept is simple and almost unchanging in virtually all the countries in which Ikea operates. Vast stores are established in out-of-town sites, offering a limited range of well designed, value-for-money furniture made by predominantly

Scandinavian manufacturers. The UK stores average 150,000 sq ft of retail space, dwarfing the sheds of MFl, the largest domestic player, which have a selling space of between 30,000 and 40,000 sq ft. Customers walk through a variety of room settings, jotting down the serial numbers of the items they require.

These are then supplied in flat packs from store by the only staff customers will encounter during their visit.

The stores offer an un-ashamedly Scandinavian shopping experience, down to the reindeer steaks served in

the on-site restaurants. The group already has 86 stores worldwide, with annual sales of 19.4 billion krone (E2.1 billion) in 1990, making it one of the world's largest furniture sellers. The private company is now owned by a Dutch charitable foundation. Sichting Ingka Foundation (SIF). which is non-profit making and "promotes innovations in architectural and interior

The purchase of the lossmaking Habitat has left some analysts puzzled as the UK company operates mainly high street sites and has a very different approach to its market. The consensus is that SIF was primarily interested in the profitable French Habitat stores but had to pick up the UK outlets as a job-lot. There seems little scope for a merger of Habitat and Ikea, which are expected to be developed separately under their own well

recognised names. The Habitat purchase leaves the ailing British furniture industry in an even more parlous state. Domestic manufacturers, traditionally small family owned businesses, are being squeezed out by the more modern-looking designs of Scandinavian and east European companies.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Tarmac creates 600 jobs on £100m road orders

TARMAC, the construction group, is to create 600 jobs after winning orders worth £100 million to widen and improve the country's motorways. The biggest order is valued at £53 million for work on the M6 motorway in the Northwest of English land, including a new viaduct across the Manchester Ship Canal and the River Mersey. Tarmac will also build the final link of the M3 motorway from London to Southampton, worth £26 million, and widen the congested M25 ring-road.

Although the shares rose 4p to 86p, analysts say the order is only "modest good news" for Tarmac. The City is waiting for the firm to advance its rationalisation programme and to complete the sales of its property and waste disposal businesses. Announcing Tarmac's interim results last month, Neville Simms, chief executive, said the firm hoped to raise £200 million via disposals by the end of the year to raise cash to reduce debts. Tarmac lost £15.1 million pre-tax in its first half of 1992 against £18.2 million profits last time.

IMC back in the black

INTERNATIONAL Media Communications, whose activities range from the Alpine Soft Drinks business to Skyview inflight entertainment systems and videos, is back in the black for the first time since 1985. The USM-quoted company reports a pre-tax profit of £378,000 in the year to end-April, against a loss of £715,000 last time. Turnover, boosted by acquisition and the delivery of the British Airways order for Skyview. advanced to £3.22 million, against 6845,000 previously. Earnings were 0.18p a share, against a loss of 0.42p last time.

Umbro cuts 192 jobs

UMBRO Europe, the sportswear manufacturer, is cutting 192 jobs after a slump in demand. The company, which makes the England football strip, is closing its factories at Macclesfield, Cheshire, and Stockport, Greater Manchester, with the loss of 146 jobs. Another 16 jobs are going from warehousing and distribution and 30 administrative staff face redundancy at the headquarters in Wythenshawe, Greater Manchester. Umbro relies on exclusive deals with Europe's top football clubs to generate much of the demand for its football strips.

BCCI help ruled out

NORMAN Lamont has again ruled out compensation for victims of the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International. Keith Vaz and Sir Rhodes Boyson vesterday met the Chancellor to seek government help for depositors. Mr Vaz, Labour MP for Leicester East, said he and Sir Rhodes, Tory member for Brent North, were "bitterly disappointed" that Mr Lamont had not agreed to their request. "The case for compensation for the victims of BCCl is, in my view, unanswerable... the campaign goes on," said Mr Vaz.

Kelt fields on stream

KELT Energy, the oil and gas company, has started full production from two new onshore fields, almost doubling its output in Britain. The Caythorpe gas field and Singleton oilfield will provide about 450 barrels of oil equivalent a day (bpd) for a net total of 850 bpd attributable to Kelt. Gross production managed by Kelt UK will rise about 3.500 bpd. Production from these fields is the culmination of a £10 million development programme. Keit's partners in Singleton are Lasmo, Teredo Petroleum, Brabant Resources and Conroy Petroleum.

Wellcome's choice

WELLCOME Trust, the charity that raised £2.16 billion from a sale of shares in the Wellcome pharmaceuticals group. has appointed eight City institutions — out of more than 230 that approached it - to manage its investments, worth £2.6 billion. They are Baillie Gifford. Fleming Investment Management, Gartmore Pension Fund Managers, Hambros Bank, Henderson Pension Fund Management, Newton Investment Management, Phillips & Drew Fund Management and Schroder Investment Management.

MIN trading jumps

MIDLAND Independent Newspapers, the regional newspaper and magazine publisher acquired by managers from Ralph Ingersoll for £125 million a year ago. reported £3.47 million pre-tax profits for the six months to end-June. There is no comparable figure for the year-earlier period. The company publishes the Birmingham Post and Mail and the Evening Telegraph in Coventry. Trading profits were £7.3 million, (£1.95 million), on £32.5 million turnover (£31.3 million). Total advertising revenue rose 2.7 per cent.

Palma losses deepen

PALMA Group, the hosiery company, is again passing its dividend as exceptional losses and higher interest costs pushed it deeper into the red. Pre-tax losses rose to £405,000 in the half year to July 26, against £180,000. There was an exceptional loss of £215,000, relating to the carrying costs of seven leasehold properties formerly occupied by the group's retail chain, closed last year. Turnover, affected by rationalisation, fell to £6.41 million (£7.84 million).

Dutch acquisition

SUPPLYLINK International, a joint venture between Sidlaw, the UK oil services company, and Smit Lloyd of the Netherlands, has acquired Gerlach Offshore, a Dutch oilfield logistics service, from Royal Nedloyd. The deal complements an earlier acquisition of Oilbase Management, based in Great Yarmouth, which provides specialist support to oil exploration companies. Sidlaw and Smit Lloyd have paid £2.03 million for the two acquisitions.

Hong Kong envoys pay timely visit

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

THE Hong Kong Chinese are known for their respect of fung shui (the art of arranging objects, or being in the right place) and yesterday their timing could not have been better.

Charles Lee, chairman of the Hong Kong stock exchange, Paul Chow, the exchange's chief executive, and Robert Nottle, chairman of the Hong Kong securities and futures commission, just happened to be in London — on the day the Hang Seng index fell 200.07 points.

The three were in town to argue to the City's investment community the merits of investing in Hong Kong with the 21st century in mind. In deference to western eating habits, roast beef, rather than sweet and sour pork, was served for

The diplomatic icicles Peking last week hurled at Chris Patten. Hong Kong's governor, and the feathers Peking has ruffled about Mr Patten's plans for wider democracy ahead of 1997, hung heavily

However, the three argued that Hong Kong had survived crises before; that government and stock exchange authorities were fast improving their laws and regulations to ensure greater protection and fair play: nd that 1997, when Hong Kong is handed back to China, should be seen as a process - not an event - and that 1997 was not a threat, but an opportunity and a stepping stone into

the next century. Peking plans to list nine of its largest state enterprises on the Hong Kong stock exchange, with the first expected in June. Since China has established two stock exchanges on its own soil, and seemingly is enjoying the fruits of capitalism, more stock exchanges are

China, Mr Chow suggested, would eed a capital injection of between US\$10 billion and \$12 billion in the next two years. Latest economic data showing a growth rate of 10.6 per cent in the first nine months of 1992 makes China one of the fastest growing economies of the world. Hong Kong and the southern part

of China has not been called "the Mother of all growth triangles" for nothing. Mr Nottle admitted that while closing Hong Kong's stock market as a typhoon howls across the South China Sea is understandable, closing the market because of Black Monday, 1987, was the ultimate mistake".

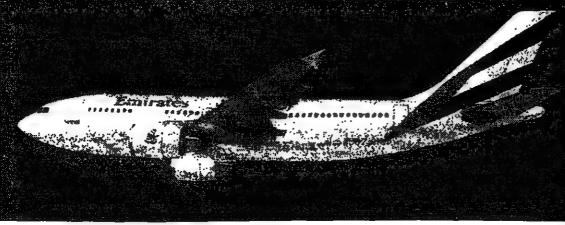
The three mandarins said unacceptable market practices were being stamped out, and protection of minority shareholders' interests was a high priority.

However, insider trading is not a criminal offence. Blowing a public whistle on insider dealing, coupled with a damming public censure that leads to "loss of face", remains the most effective

With the 21st century in mind, the three wise men from Hong Kong are out to ensure that the current diplomatic cold winds blowing from Peking are not going to spoil Hong Kong's prospects.

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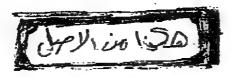


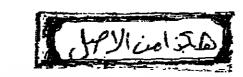
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Invesco will pay Drayton Trust £9.5m settlement

Institutional investors are set to benefit from a £9.5 million fund settlement for the failed Drayton Consolidated Trust, which increases the cash available for distribution to £19.8 million

By Jon Ashworth

INVESCO MIM, the fund management company run by Lord Stevens, has agreed to pay £9.5 million in settlement for its management of Dray-ton Consolidated Trust, the investment trust which foundered earlier in the year.

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Invesco is paying Drayton 66.5 million in cash. In addition, it is paying £9.2 million for two unquoted investments valued at £6.2 million, giving Drayton a further £3 million.

The move is an embarrass-ing climb-down for Invesco. The settlement, believed to be unprecedented, will increase the cash available for distribution by £19.8 million.

Invesco MIM was fined £75,000 in November 1991 by the Investment Management Regulatory Organis-ation (Imro) for an internal accounting failure which led to a £2.7 million shortfall to its client accounts. Imro found problems affecting £220 mllion in personal equity plan accounts. Invesco MIM was ordered to pay investigation costs of up to £90,000.

Drayton, which specialised in unquoted investments, can into trouble following the collapse of Alma Holdings, an unquoted confectionery company in which Drayton was the main shareholder. County NatWest Wood Mackenzie and Cazenove were appointed as advisers in February, and have been working on a plan to help shareholders realise

Drayton had to write off

investment in Alma. Due to the illiquid nature of the assets, the advisers believed the only solution was to sell as much as possible and create a new vehicle to take up the remainder and then gradually

dispose of them. Second Consolidated, a new company, has been formed for this purpose. Foreign & Colonial Ventures has been appointed lead manager, with primary responsibility for management and administra-tion. Invesco MIM will assist.

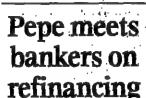
As at October 20, the value of Drayton Consolidated shares was calculated at 243p. Of that, 158p will go to Second Consolidated and 85p will be paid back in cash to shareholders. If the scheme is approved, the first payments are likely in October 1993, Drayton has about 2,000 shareholders of which 85-90 per cent are institutions.

John Webster, a former director of Sun Life, has been appointed chairman of Secand Consolidated. Peter Dicks and Peter Gray become directors alongside Nicholas Cobbold, an existing director of Drayton Consolidated. Mr Cobbold said he was pleased a potentially lengthy court battle had been avoided.

Shareholders will meet on November 18 to vote on the proposals. On November 27, they vote on the liquidation of Drayton Consolidated.

Lord Stevens resigned as chief executive of Invesco MIM in August. He remains the form and the liquidation and liquidations with April 1993

close to £20 million on its chairman until April 1993.



By OUR CITY STAFF

PEPE Group, the troubled jeans designer and distributor that is in discussions with certain shareholders regarding the introduction of new equity, is also holding red-

nancing talks with its bankers. The USM-quoted company. which warned in the summer that rationalisation and closures are likely to result in losses and substantial provisions, has seen its shares slide from 19p at the start of last week to I ip yesterday, against

this year's high of 107p.
The talks are being held against a background of difficult trading conditions and the rationalisation and reorganisation of the group's international operations. A spokesman for the company said it still had the support of its principal bankers.

Novel Enterprises, the Hong Kong textiles group which took a 29.6 per cent stake in Pepe earlier this year, is believed to be involved in the talks to increase Pepe's equity. Pepe's final results for the year to end-March have already been delayed for some time and it is thought that a

full resolution is unlikely for at

least a couple of months.

Pepe meets | Welpac falls deeper into the red

By PHILIP PANGALOS

THE week market for do-ityourself products, plus excep-tional costs pushed Welpac, the hardware and electrical goods wholesaler and distributor, deeper into the red at the

half-year stage.

In what the company described as the most hostile trading environments in recent memory, pre-tax losses rose to £684,000 in the six months to end-July, (£248,000 loss). The increase in the delicit was exacerbated by an exceptional charge of £273,000, relating to the costs of redundancy, scrapping dis-continued stock and site and machinery moves. However, all group companies managed to increase their market shares and turnover, boosted by ac-

quisition, grew to £7.73 million (£4.65 million).

The company said that "vigorous action" had been taken to reduce the cost base, which resulted in group costs being cut by more than £1.1 million on an annualised basis. Gearing was trimmed from 45 per cent to 44 per cent. There is a loss of 0.87p (0.79p) a share. There is again no interim dividend. The shares lost 4p to

GM chief resigns as losses pile up

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

ROBERT Stempel yesterday resigned as chairman and chief executive of General Motors after weeks of speculation that the independent directors of America's largest car company were poised to dismiss him.

Two weeks ago, Mr Stem-pel, 59, who has been with GM for 34 years, was diagnosed as suffering from "elevated blood pressure", a symptom of executive stress. Mr Stempel, an engineer, held the top job in American car making for 26 months and reported net losses in five of the eight quarters as its boss. His tenure is the shortest on record.

GM is expected to announce more red ink this week, with \$845 million losses for the third quarter, almost double the second-quarter

Despite a plan to close 21 factories and cut 74,000 jobs by 1995, GM's independent directors and Wall Street were growing impatient with the pace of change as market share continued to fall. Under Mr Stempel it shrank from 35.1 to 33.7 per cent.

Changes are accelerating. GM will trim six large engineering works into four, which analysts believe will cut 10,000 white-collar jobs by the end of next year, 12 months earlier than planned.

Pressure for change increased this month when two credit-rating agencies put GM's commercial paper under review with the prospect of downgrading it.

Mr Stempel said: "I made this decision in the best interests of the corporation . . . " He will remain chairman until Monday when a routine board meeting is expected to name John Smale, former chairman of Proctor & Gamble, as his successor.



Well suited: Rowland Gee, who announced a recession-beating profit rise to £354,000 for Moss Bros

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Moss Bros beats half-time forecast

By MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

THE resilience of the market for formal wear, combined with the company's £8.5 million cash pile, helped Moss Bross Group to beat analysts' forecasts with pre-tax profits of £354,000 (£102,000) in the

six months to July 25.

Rowland Gee, managing director, said hire-out of formal dress suits was up 8 per cent on this time last year despite the lack of consumer confidence. He said: "Customers are keeping their little pots of gold for spending on things like good weddings and holidays as a way of lifting the general gloom. In this area they have definitely

Moss Bros, whose strong position in the formal wear hire market came under attack from competitors a decade ago, had also had the benefit of lifting its market share by 10 percentage points to 38 per cent during the first half.

Mr Gee refused to reveal how much interest was earned but said it was similar to last time, and the profits advance had come from increased sales and margins. Turnover rose 3 per cent to £23.9 million. Shareholders are rewarded with a maintained dividend of 1.5p. Moss Bros's three main menswear retail businesses. Cecil Gee, Savoy Tailors Guild and Suit Co, were all profitable.

Moss Bros has had to postpone until next year its planned launch of a privilege card for customers, which awards points towards discounts according to how much has already been spent. because of the fast-changing technology involved. The scheme is claimed to be the first one on the high street. following similar deals by petrol stations.

"Retailing is about impulse buying." said Mr Gee. "We didn't want our customers to depend on quarterly state-ments to know how many points they had accumulated on their cards before deciding whether to enter one of planned technology, the store card will record any discount points as they are acquired and customers will know as soon as they go to the till.

BUSINESS BUILDING WITH LOMBARD

AYLESFORD SCHOOL is a grant maintained school that prides itself on its facilities. They desperately wanted to upgrade their computer equipment.

But to do so, they needed £120,000. So they went to see their bank manager at NatWest.

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A member of the National Westminster Bank group

World Bank faces pressure on funding

By A Correspondent

AN international network of environmental organisations is calling for suspension of aid funding to the World Bank. The campaign, launched by the Washington-based Envi-ronmental Defense Fund, follows the bank's decision last Friday to continue funding the Sardar Sarovar dam on India's Narmada river from April next year.

The decision went against the advice of the independent commission the bank had established under Bradford Morse, former director of the United Nations Development Programme. A report by the commission focused on the dam's social and environmental impact — more than 100.000 people, most of them tribal farmers, will be flooded out from .90,000 acres of farmland and forest - and urged the bank to step back.

Tony Juniper, of Friends of the Earth, commented: "They have gone too far. If the World Bank won't stop funding disastrous projects like the Narmada dam, British aid money must stop funding the World Bank."

Two hundred and fifty organisations from 37 countries have signed an open letter to the bank, stating that it has proved itself "beyond reform" by its continued support of the project. They will oppose an \$18 billion dollar replenishment of the bank's soft loan fund, the International Development Association, due next year. The World Bank has proposed using International Development Association concessionary loans to subsidise the Sardar Sarovar

Britain supported funding the project and gives £200 million a year to the World

Hope in Storehouse for shareholders

WHAT Peter Earl, Tony Clegg and Asher Edelman tried and failed to do to Storehouse. Storehouse has finally, and perhaps inevitably, done to itself. The end of the Storehouse retailing concept. cobbled together by Terence Conran in the 1980s, was a long time coming, widely expected and little mourned. Shareholders have waited a very long time to see a decent return on their capital. Without Habitat and Rich-

ards, there is at last some hope that the long-promised Storehouse jam will be delivered if not tomorrow then in the foreseeable future. There is still much work to be done. but without the distracting complications of the non-core operations, the management can now at least concentrate on developing and growing the two remaining chains. BhS and Mothercare still

have problems of their own they both made losses in the first half of last year - but the hard work carried out by David Dworkin and his management team is beginning to show. At BhS, this summer's new ranges have impressed analysts, particularly in youth wear, and sales growth rates are beginning to outstrip the competition. Distribution and supply at both chains have also been improved out of all recognition since the shambolic early days of Store-

Much of this improvement is already in the share price. however, and, although yesterday's well-received disposals will improve sentiment towards the stock, an instant breakthrough is unlikely. Interim results next week are expected to show a small profit, while pre-tax profits for the year are unlikely to top £40 million. Next year, the results will show a further sharp improvement, though the wide range of market



Downhearted: a Hong Kong broker feels the strain of the 200-point drop in the Hang Seng index yesterday

forecasts reflects uncertainty about the timing of the retail recovery. Profits of £58 million would give 9.5p of earnings, putting the shares on a rating of 17.2 times, about the same level as Marks and

One tangible benefit of the disposal, however, is that the 5p dividend will be covered by earnings this year and is safe. Given the high rating that makes the shares a hold, but not vet a buy.

Hong Kong

THE Hong Kong stock market has lived through at least ten critical points in the past 43 years, ranging from 1949's

na. through the Cultural Revgrowth will continue for a olution of 1967 to Black while yet to concentrate inves-Monday, 1987, when, to Kong's admitted It is a telling statistic, for a

market where the lights are shame, the stock market was supposed to be going out in less than five years time, that Therefore the latest political blast Peking has visited on the head of Chris Patten. the historic price earnings ratio is 15 times, and that the HK's Governor — which knocked 200.07 points off the prospective 1993 market average lies between 10.6 and 13.1 times. Hang Seng index to 6,062.47 yesterday - could also turn out to be an opportunity.

rather than an event.

China watchers continue to

be amazed at the real econom-

ic growth that mainland Chi-

na is achieving. Economic growth in the first nine

months of 1992 was 10.6 per

cent, and there is nothing like

a forecast that double digit

China's obvious appreciation of the virtues of capitalraising bodies such as the Hong Kong stock exchange (and its own two exchanges) suggests Peking will not seriously damage the colony's economic boat. The first of nine Chinese state enterprises is due to be listed on the HK

In the past year, the price of a HK stock exchange seat has jumped from HK\$400.000 to HK\$900,000, as foreign bro-kers increasingly knock on China's back door. There are several foreign groups listed in HK, and 27 Hong Kong groups listed in London. And chartists insist that the Hang Seng index has solid resistance qualities at about 6.000. Current jitters from

Lucas

21st century.

NOTHING was more surprising about the departure of Tony Edwards, former heirapparent at Lucas Industries.

Hong Kong present opportu-

nities for those looking to the

announced. Sir Anthony Gill. combining the roles of chair-man and chief executive for at least another year, insists against all the evidence that there has been no boardroom row and then describes his former protègé in terms that suggest he did not leave of his own volition.

The Lucas board has decided he was unsuitable to run the business. Mr Edwards has maintained a dignified silence, and this and his high reputation in the engineering industry suggests Lucas's loss may turn out to be TI Group's gain once he takes up a post at the head of the latter's nowexpanded aerospace division.

The nature of Mr Edwards' failings at Lucas, if any, are not specified. City speculation is that he was brought in to shake a tree that was in dire need of the tree surgeon's attention and that in such shaking he upset too many people.

Lucas now has to find a new head of the aerospace division and a new heir-apparent. Sir Anthony will lead the group into what the market is gambling will be a bruising bid battle before too long in a combined role that is still much derided in the City.

All this will make exciting reading in any eventual formal offer document, coming just months after the finance director also walked out. Lucas shares were off 1p yesterday at 106p but have still climbed 13 per cent since the group announced sharply lower profits and 4,000 job losses a fortnight ago.

The shares sell on about 15 times' this year's earnings, on the basis of a Smith New Court forecast of £60 million pre-tax that assumes some second-half recovery. The latest boardroom upset only puts them even more into

Japanese surplus likely to stay high

FROM RELTER

JAPAN'S trade surplus, which grew to a record in the first half of this fiscal year, will remain high until demand for imports recovers strongly, a

government report said.

The Economic Planning Agency (EPA) said the structure of Japanese exports had changed from the early 1980s in a way that nearly guaranteed that their value would remain high. Shoicht Ojima. the EPA official in charge of the report, said: "In order to curb the trade surplus, we need to increase domestic demand, which the government's economic package announced late August will help

Tokyo also needs to make more efforts to open the domestic market to foreign imports, he added.

Japan's unadjusted customs-cleared trade surplus surged to \$52.5 billion in the six months ended September, up from \$39.7 billion. In September alone, it rose to \$12.1 billion (\$9.7 billion).

The report said Japan's imports are expected to be steady to weaker in the short term due to the sluggish economy but will pick up when the economy recovers. But it said a higher yen, which had been considered as damaging Japan's export price competitiveness, had failed to curb the trade surplus recently. A stronger yen since 1985

had encouraged Japanese manufacturers to shift part of their production overseas and make higher value-added goods at home. Rises in dollarbased exports since 1991 were mostly due to such exports. Exports subjected to quotas, especially to the US, had also distorted market-oriented

Ex-Soviet interest may be deferred

FROM REUTER IN PARIS

THE Paris Club of government creditors this week could exceptionally reschedule interest payments due on ex-Soviet Union debt. a French Treasury official told a conference

Patrick Lenain said the deal would translate the desire of the Group of Seven industrial nations to "make a more important effort" on Soviet long-term debt, which he put at about \$70 billion. The Paris Club usually reschedules only debt principal.

M Lenain said: "One possible solution is to include the deferral -- the rescheduling -of interest, to push back not just principal repayment but also include the rescheduling of interest. Whatever technique is used, the important thing is to reach a firm. durable agreement, one that will allow confidence to be restored both inside Russia and outside."

M Lenain said Russia's debt was not especially high in per capita terms - \$200 versus \$807 for Hungary — and he saw the problem as one of liquidity rather than solvency.

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Thus, the Paris Club did not see the need to write off debt. as it did with Poland last year. He said only three former Soviet republics had agreed to Russia's request to take over ex-Soviet debt service in return for their waiving claims to certain ex-Soviet assets.

The International Monetary Fund expects Russia will need balance-of-payments support of about \$22 billion in 1993, M Lenain said, adding its needs would be greater if it took over responsibility for all the ex-Soviet debt. He said practically all the \$24 billion promised to Russia by the G7 in July had been committed. if debt relief was included.

On Sunday, Jacques Attali. president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, told a Paris University conference that none had been disbursed, and he denounced the hypocrisy of the West towards Russia. M Lenain said some credits

had been slow to materialise

because of political and economic doubts in Russia, plus uncertainty over the cut-off date to be set in coming debt reschedulings. But he said bilateral credits of \$10 billion had been pledged, of which \$8 America and French food credits had already been used. Another French credit covering industrial goods would soon be finalised, he added. A further \$4 billion was on the way from sources such as the IMF. World Bank and European Community, Russia had also benefited from \$9 billion freed through the de-

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STOCK MARKET

Maastricht and CBI fears leave the City unsettled

WORRIES that the prime minister will call a general election if he fails to get the Maastricht treaty through parliament provided and unsettled day for the City.

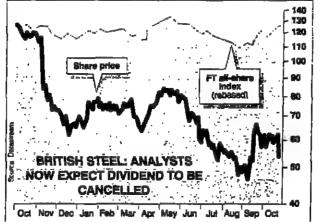
All eyes were focused on the

foreign exchange where sterling gave up valuable ground against both the dollar and the mark. But the pound's weakness did amact some support for the big overseas earners. Gains were seen in Glaxo 7p to 784p, Cadbury Schweppes 5p to 455p, and Reckitt & Colman 8p to 639p, ICI, reporting third quarter figures on Thursday, also jumped 20p to £10.66, while Wellcome, reporting on the same day, climbed 18p to £10.09.

But Reed International, expected to show pre-tax profits up £2.7 million to £88 million on Friday, fell 13p to 581p. There was little cheer for the rest of the market with dealers worried about today's CBI Industrial Trends survey. The FT-SE 100 index rallied from

an early 13 point fall and

closed 8.1 down at 2,661.6. British Steel fell Sp to 544p after announcing plans to cut production by up to 20 per cent to counter further fails in demand. Brokers such as Kleinwort Benson expect both the interim and final dividends to be cancelled. Halfyear figures next month are likely to make grim reading and Kleinwort has raised its total of losses for the full year to £350 million. It expects closure costs to add an extra £200 million to the deficit.



Worries about a cut in the dividend also left Babcock International 42p lower at 29p, after touching 26p. The group is said to have brought forward its half-year results. expected to show a sharp drop in profits, to later this week.

Lucas Industries held

possible suitors. TI fell 11p to 307p yesterday after the disposal of part of its capital goods division.

Storehouse, the Habitat and Mothercare retailer, rose 4p to 165p after confirming months of speculation by dis-posing of its Richards

Medeva rose 5p to 198p. Credit Lyonnals Laing, the stockbroker, says earnings are growing at more than 35 per cent a year and that the shares deserve a higher rating. Laing says the withdrawal from its UK generic pharmaceuticals siness removes an area of concern and reduces net debt.

steady at 107p despite news of a boardroom split that is likely to see the departure of Tony Edwards, managing director, Lucas has been the stabject of speculative buying in recent weeks with the group regarded as vulnerable to a bid. Mannesmann, of Germany. and TI Group are both seen as

womenswear chain of shops and the Habitat stores in Europe for £108 million. A Dutch-based foundation. which owns Ikea, the Swedish furniture group, is paying £78 million for the Habitat stores while Sears is buying the Richards chain for £30 mil-

lion. Sears eased 2p to 89p.

County NatWest, the stockbro-ker, says only those clothing and footwear retailers capable of generating sales and keeping one step ahead of the opposition are likely to succeed over the next decade. County says this would include the likes of Storehouse and Country Casuals, unchanged at 124p. But top of its sell list is Burion. In firmer at 45p, and Sears, while Next, steady at 1081p, has been removed from its buy list. County remains a short-term seller of Marks & Spencer, unchanged

lower at 190p.

Marley fell 4p to 76p and rival Redland 10p to 342p after BZW cut its profit forecasts. It has cut its pre-tax profit estimate for Marley for this year by £5 million to £10 million and by a similar amount for 1993 to £20 million. Redland's profit for this vear has been cut by £6 million to £192 million and for next by £5 million to £195 million.

at 343p, and Austin Reed, 3p

Tarmac rose 4p to 86p after dinching a £100 million contract with the transport department to improve parts of Britain's motorways. By the close almost 9 million shares had changed hands.

TSB Group eased 1p to 142p after Smith New Court slashed its pre-tax profit forecast for this year by £95 million to £125 million. Arthur Lee rose 7p to 88p on full bid hopes from Carclo Engineering, 2p better at 141p.

MICHAEL CLARK

MAJOR CHANGES

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BRITISH FUNDS

GOVERNMENT securities had a volatile session with investors anxiously awaiting today's Mansion House speech by the Chancellor. Prices at the longer end were suffering falls of up to

£12 at their but managed to reduce their losses to just a few ticks by the close. Treasury 9 per cent 2008 finished just one tick easier at £101%. On the futures market, the long gilt ended just a couple of ticks easier at £1005/16.

The best performance came from index-linked issues, with gains of up to El early in the day. The shorter end of the market remains well supported and is already discounting base rates of 7 per cent. Simon Briscoe, at Green-

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WORLD MARKETS

Dow opens with rise

New York - US shares were mixed in early trade with a bias to the up side. Michael Metz, of Oppenheimer, said: "The market is basically firm. largely due to expectations that we will see favourable developments in the economy." The Dow Jones industrial average rose 8 points to 3216. Advancing shares outnumbered declining issues by more than two to one. General Motors was up 3/a at 337/a after Robert Stempel, the chief executive officer, resigned.

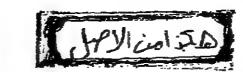
☐ Tokyo-Shares ended lower on a lack of incentives after

barely moving all day. Brokers said that most investors were sidelined ahead of a wave of earnings results from hi-tech firms and central bank meetings here and in Germany. One trader said: "The only topic today was game seven of the Japan Series [baseball championship]." The Nikkei average was down 106.32 points, or 0.62 per cent. to 17.011.33, with an estimated 130 million shares traded ☐ Singapore - Market closed for national holiday. (Reuter)

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WALL STREET

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Dan-Air investors down in flames

t might seem in passing strange if tycoon A, anxious to sell the assets of his company to his L close friend, tycoon B, were allowed to do so for a nominal sum without first consulting his shareholders, the true owners of the business. For this reason, the full paraphernalia of stock exchange controls governs such disposals, and the larger they are, the tighter are the rules.

Such controls, like all the other rules of the land, are there for a reason, and the decision to supersede them should not be taken lightly. David James took that decision late last week, when he agreed to sell most of the assets of Davies & Newman, the owner of Dan-Air, for only £1, in return for assigning all the debts as well to the potential purchaser, British

BA was touted as the rescuer of Dan-Air, although those who have had dealings with the redoubtable national carrier may have difficulty viewing it in an altruistic light. The deal was a super-class one transaction, and under stock exchange rules, therefore deserving of the closest scrutiny by the stock of the closest scrutiny by shareholders. Mr James is understandably keen to stress his unbroken record of success in company rescues. Davies & Newman shareholders, who are the clear losers here and whose interests Mr James was appointed to protect, may feel that record has been somewhat tarnished.

Those shareholders will be allowed to vote on the company's winding-up but they will not vote on the BA deal because of time constraints, the company and its advisers having been granted the appropriate waiver by the stock exchange's quotations committee. It is not clear to what degree those time constraints were imposed by the banks, the clear winners now assured of repayment of all borrowings.

Dan-Air was undeniably in dire financial straits, with only months of mounting debts to look forward to before income started to come in again. One can only hope that this does not eventually turn out to be too favourable a deal for BA. Davies & Newman shareholders would then have good reason to feel aggrieved. We await with interest the formal documents, hopefully giving a great deal more of the background to the deal.

BA set for Europe

hile some Davies & Newman shareholders will be stunned that their chairman can sell off the assets of their business for £1 with no apparent need to confer, holders of British Airways' equity will be much happier. If the deal jumps all the regulatory hurdles, BA will have taken a significant step towards sharpening up its troublesome Euro-pean operations in advance of EC moves to open up Europe's skies to the vigorous breezes of competition. It is by no means clear that BA will be free from the attentions of regulators. The group has some resourceful enemies and may push for EC intervention if British regulators appear to be waving the

Dan-Air merger through. But the collapse of yet another local carrier should be a signal to the regulators that blocking BA, for example by removing routes and handing them to smaller airlines in the name of competition, seems not to have had a blemish-free track record. Attempting the same in the wake of Dan-Air would be tying BA's hands as it goes into battle with the largely state-owned carriers within the EC. So far, BA looks to be well prepared for the fray. This year, it has acquired modest airlines in France and Germany. Merging part of its operations with Dan-Air's and cutting the costs closer to those of Dan-Air could produce a highly competitive entity, provided of course that the open skies promises of EC nations are to be taken at face value.

Steel industry faces unkindest cuts before it can forge ahead again

Wolfgang Münchau

examines the plight of a troubled industry that has to cope with painful decisions to prevent its decline into oblivion

The most surprising aspect about yesterday's British Steel decision to cut output by 20 per cent was not the scale of the cutbacks but that the decision had not been taken earlier. Of all European industries, few are in such desperate trouble as steel. What happened yesterday is only the latest chapter in a long and sorry saga of bad news emanating from the

The main reason behind the decision is massive overcapacity in the steel sector and falling prices. The recession may have contributed in reducing industry's demand for steel products, but it would be too complacent to blame it for everything. The real difficulties this industry is now facing have lingered on for quite a few years. They are also far more fundamental.

The decline in the British steel industry is not without its share of symbolism. If the British industrial revolution began with coal and steel, the simultaneous decline of both these industries may bode ill for Britain's industrial future. The timing of the announcement, so soon after the government's ill-handled assault on the coal industry, is politically delicate and industrially devastating. The decision will inevitably raise the fear that Britain is in an accelerating process of massive deindustrialisation.

The decline in the British steel and coal industries has, indeed, a number of aspects in common other than the pure coincidence of timing. One should, however, not go overboard in viewing the two industries in the same light. The most notable conundrum is that, by European standards, Britain is the most efficient producer of coal and steel but seems unable to benefit from this efficiency. The complicated economics of coal and steel throughout the postwar period has resulted in a number of oddities. one being that sometimes efficiency was penalised and inefficiency

The production costs for British German coal. British Steel is Europe's second-largest most efficient eelmaker. Unlike other European manufacturers, British Steel has had to make do without subsidies — or restructuring aid to use a more polite term — and has also done more than its fair share to cut capacity. One of the more visible and painful mea-aires it has taken was the closure in June of the Ravenscraig steel plant in Scotland, with the loss of 2,000 jobs.

But one crucial difference exists between coal and steel. The main reason for the speed with which the British coal industry declined was government policy, especially the subsidisation of the nuclear power



No way forward: British Steel's Ravenscraig plant in Scotland is chained up after being closed in June

and electricity privatisation. The gov-ernment is relatively innocent when it comes to steel industry problems. The worst accusation one could levy against it is its refusal to cheat and proffer hidden subsidies to British Steel. This is what has happened in other European countries, and this is to some degree a reason behind the

British Steel is not the only company affected, since the steel quandary is not made in Britain, but throughout Europe. In Spain yesterday, tens of thousands Spanish steel workers marched through Madrid in sures costing 10,000 jobs. In Germany, Thyssen made a similar announcement last week when it decided to cut production by a quarter and introduce short-time working for the last quarter.

he steel industry entered the year in a depressed state and the situation deteriorated markedly since. Domestic demand in Europe declined at a rate faster than the fall of production. MEPS, the Sheffield steel consultancy, wrote in a steel market report in September, that "steelmakers have continued to over-produce in the third quarter, despite strong falls in

demand. The report stated that "the outlook for steel demand in the industrialised world is quite

The rate with which European steel companies presently cut their output, is unlikely to stop the rot of steel prices. In the case of British steel, yesterday's news of a 20 per cent cut in output is likely to have an effect on the market not before next year because of the persistently highly level of stocks. Analysts remain deeply sceptical about the outlook even for

A crucial factor behind the present imports into the markets, which have led to the extraordinary decline in steel prices, and the inability of European manufacturers to cut output in response to rising stocks. But then, we have all been there before, in the 1970s during Europe's first steel crisis. Then, Europe was hit by two oil shocks and cheap imports from Japan. Europe's reaction to this crisis was determined. Under the Davignon plan, European countries were to reduce their steelmaking capacity to a level to meet demand. Subsidies were to be granted to help this restructuring process, but not to distort the market. Eventually, the

market for steel was to become

"normal", a free market without state subsidies

With a few exceptions, this was more or less accomplished by the late 1980s. Some subsidies still exist, but all in all, the market has been liberalised. Steel prices rose until 1989 and at that time, it was thought that the industry had essentially made the necessary transition to a modern business.

That view turned out to be a mistake. Since 1989, prices have fallen. The liberalisation of the market meant an increase in cheap imports, especially from South Korea recently from easiem Europe. In Germany, east European imports were 900,000 million tonnes last year, and this year the figure is expected to rise to 2.3 million tonnes. This may be small, given that the size of the EC production of crude steel is presently more than 130 million tonnes per annum, but the imports have important price implications. Christine Sharp, of Meps counsultancy, said that "it does not need large import volumes to affect market prices". This condition coincides with a structural and a temporary problem: the structural problem is the industry's inability to adjust output levels when needed; the temporary problem is the recession.

Britain has good reason to feel exasperated about European steel policy. Earlier this year, the European Commission approved a controversial plan by the French government to inject capital into Usinor to help the company with an ambitious cost-cutting and restructuring plan. The German steel industry. by far Europe's largest, conceded a

6.4 per cent wage settlement, thereby driving up its costs and its problems. Cheap imports are the industry's favorite scapegoat. When Lisinor suffered a Fr360 million loss, it blamed foreign importers who swamped the EC market with cheap steel in a manner "incompatible with fair competition". The devaluation of sterling and the lira further distorted the competitive position in favour of Britain and Italy and to the disadvantage of Germany and France

Manufacturers are now calling on the EC for help. Earlier this month, the heads of Europe's 15 largest steel companies wrote to the commission to propose a massive restructuring programme costing 4 billion ecus (£3.2 billion). Up to 50,000 workers could lose their jobs, and the EC has been called upon to provide aid to help finance these redundancies, or, in other words, to provide the subsidies to end all subsidies. Essentially, they are asking Europe to revert to precisely those policies whose persistent application over a period of decades failed to help the industry escape its terminal decline.

erhaps even more important, the EC steelmakers are now putting pressure on the Community to agree to antidumping controls against east European imports. The trouble with that, however, is that steel is one of the few products eastern European countries are good at manufacturing. In addition, they are also cost-efficient, at least in comparison with western Europeans. The best development aid western Europe can give eastern Europe is not credits or even charitable donations, but free and open trade, especially in agriculture and steel. If eastern Europe's economic reform efforts fail or faiter, then this will be related, to a large extent, to inefficiency, not of its own industry but of western Europe's. The worst the EC can do is to protect its own market for steel, and then spend vast amounts of money to help eastern

Europe's restructuring.
Industry ministers will discuss the steel emergency at length next month. They should resist the indus-Steel is one of the most political of industries, and it's demands could still carry greater weight than the fundamental geo-economic realities of the east European economic reform process and in particular. important east-west European trade. At the same time, it cannot be

denied that Europe's steel industry has run aground for the second time in 20 years and that past policies have failed. The industry will have to make a very good case indeed to be bailed out for a second time. Otherwise, the EC will have to get used to the idea that others are better at making steel. and that Europe's indigenous industry will slowly but surely wither away.

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ALL STREET

THE perils of splashing out on high-profile corporate sponsorship are being brought home to both British Steel and British Coal. Yesterday's announcement of a steel production slump, and the consequent prospect of divi-dend cuts, jarred with reports from Rio of the British Steel sponsored round-the-world yacht race. The sponsorship, started in 1989 when British Steel was profitable, is costing about £2 million over six years. Meanwhile, with miners at Wembley stadium — and elsewhere - distributing leaflets against pit closures on Saturday, British Coal executives were safely inside entertaining corporate guests at the rugby league world cup final be-tween Britain and Australia— having paid £750,000 for four years sponsorship. "Preparations for the yacht race were already too far advanced for us to pull out in 1990-1," says British Steel, speaking about a year when profits plunged, with further losses in 1991-2. British Coal insists it faced a similar dilemma. Its sponsorship began four years ago and ends next year. It will not, the company says, he renewed.
Rugby is synonymous with the coalfields. We've never had protests. However, we feel the expenditure can't be justified in today's climate," a spokes-

Loss of innocence

THE teenage scribbler is not so teenage any more, at least according to the latest Who's



Who of Analysts compiled by Price Waterhouse and Citi-gate, the financial PR firm. The third edition lists 1,158 analysts. Some 45 per cent of the 658 who gave their ages were betweeen 23 and 32, but the average age now, says re-searcher Justine Samuel, of Citigate, is 30, against 25 two years ago. Despite the recent flurry of high-profile job switches. Samuel says the recession means analysts are staying longer in the same jobs. They are still tending to sit tight. The average stay is at least two years which is close to the national average." In order to remind analysts of the good old days, at the launch of the directory yesterday there was a prize draw for participating analysts with a crate of champagne going to Vighnesh Padiachy, a packaging and media analyst at BZW. After being informed of his

win by the City Diary, Mr

Padiachy happily declared

that he would save the charr-

pagne to drink on November 8 when he celebrates his 27th

Notice seen in a curtain shop in Woodley, near Reading, "Unattended children will be sold into slavery"

Hall at the helm

NIKKO Europe, the Japanese owned bank, has a new chairman. John Cunningham, ex Courts, retired from the post on Friday at the age of 66 and has been succeeded by one of the firms managing directors, baronet Sir John Hall, thereby continuing Nikko's tradition of being one of the most western of all Japanese banks in London. "It employs 120 people, 110 of them Anglo-Saxon," says one insider. Hall, ex-Schroders and Bank of America, as well as ex-Eton and Trinity College, Oxford, should boost that image. He has, however, been with Nikko for three years and his new job will reduce his weekly workload from five days to four. Policy and strategy will now be my chief concern." says Hall, aged 60. Asked what that strategy is likely to be he replies: "We will continue to expand. One area for expansion will be into continental Europe where we have not done an awful lot, another will be to develop areas of international activity like treasury." In terms of assets, Nikko is, he adds, already ranked 20th in the UK league table of banks, and is the largest Japa-

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Golden opportunity in Hong Kong From Mr Gulu Lalvani which has economic laws de-

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It is such Chinese activity
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What Binatone has done

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duction. The Asia Pacific re-

gion should be regarded not

only as a lesson in good business practices but as also

an opportunity to expand UK

Sir, I read with interest and encouragement your item on the economic success of the Asia Pacific region (October 21). I hope that it has awak-ened your readers not just to the educational potential the area offers UK companies, but to the real possibilities it has as a geographic base for UK

Two years ago Binatone moved its headquarters from the UK to Hong Kong. Although the strategic focus of the group is still on EC countries, the move was necessary to take full advantage of the single European market.
The UK has many attributes, but it does not

possess the renown Hong Kong has acquired as the world's centre for electronics One of the fundamental reasons for its success is China, where Binatone has been

Yours faithfully GULU LALVANI. Hong Kong chairman, Binatone Electronics present for 25 years. As well as having its labour force an hour away from Hong Kong, China possesses an abundance of land at low rents. Shenzhen is one such area of the Republic Hong Kong.

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Taking the long-term view on pensions

From S.D. Farmer

Sir, The chairman of the Pension Law Review Committee (Letters. October 20) quite understandably emphasises the vital importance of the security of pension entitlement to members of occupational pension schemes. This reflects inter alia the long-term nature of pension arrangements.

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From Dr Stephen Castell, signed to encourage invest-

Sir, Your many readers' letters before and after Sir Andrew Hugh Smith's recent article on Taurus (October 22) indi-cate the strength and scope of individual investors' misgivings about the probity and legal security of "demateri-alised" record-keeping for

These legitimate concerns show that there has not been nearly enough informed discussion on the practicalities and, equally, the legal princi-ples involved, and it is remarkable that such a "sea-change" system has developed so far (notwithstanding delays) "on the quiet", as it were.

In recent years, I carried out for HM Treasury a study of the position of computer evidence under English Law (The APPEAL Report. Castel 1/-CCTA. Eclipse Publications. 1990) and there highlighted a key issue: the need for computer systems and operational practices properly capable of forensic scrutiny, delivering undoubted evidential

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Yours faithfully. STEPHEN CASTELL Castell Computer and Systems Telecommunications Ltd. 20 Grange Road. Wickham Bishops, Witham. Fasex.

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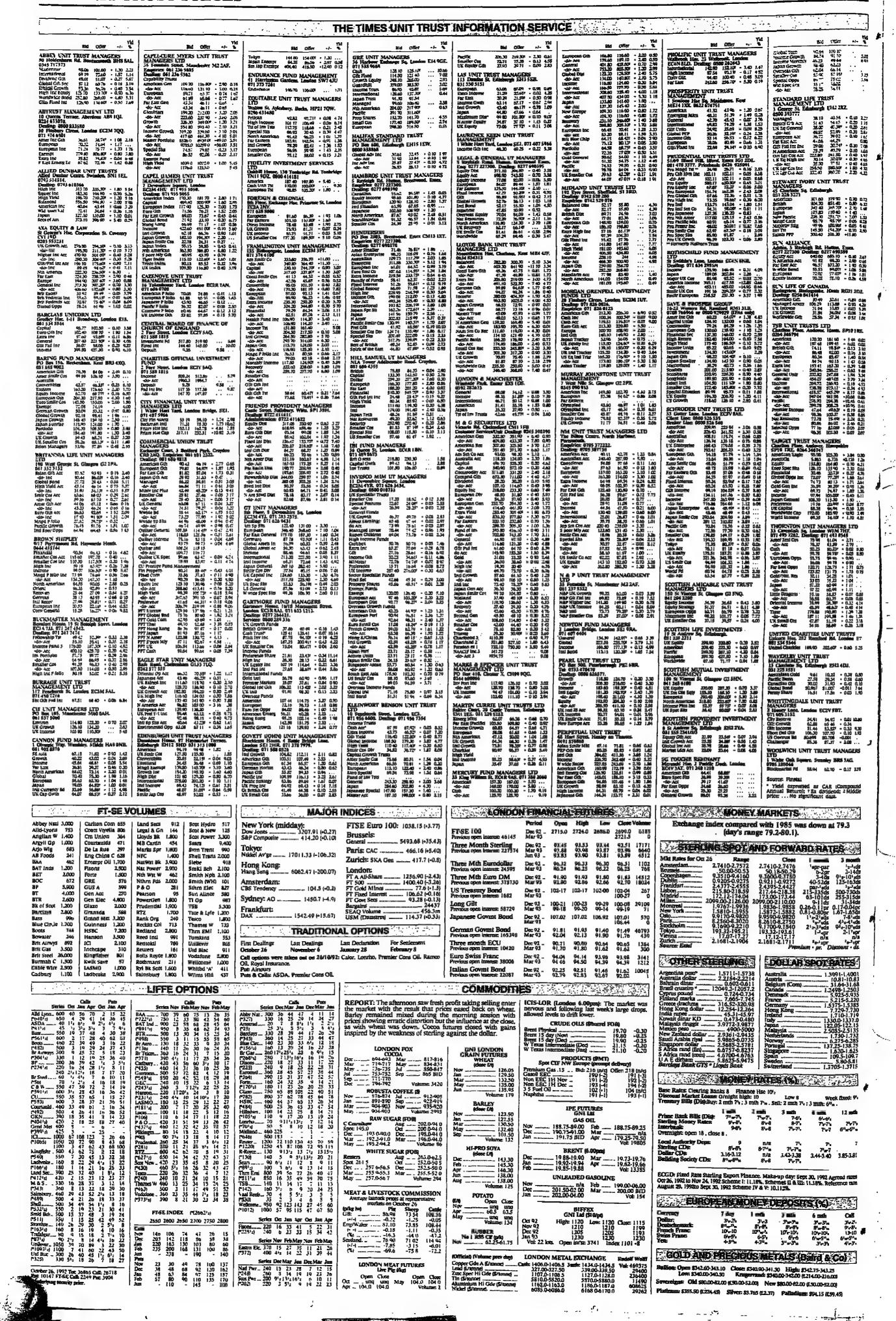
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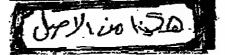
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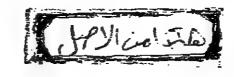
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The collapse of MMI has triggered a re-think in liability cover

Insuring the community

The demise of Britain's ninth largest insurance company has summoned the memory of Corporal Jones to the corridors of town and county halls. His cry of "don't panic" sounds as unconvincing from public sector managers as it did when the Dad's Army veteran uttered it.

The failure of Municipal Mutual Insurance (MMI) has raised another and more menacing ghost. too, in the shape of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International (BCCI). No one suggests that MMI's problems are the result of anything illegal, but the parallels for public managers are too stark to be ignored.

In both cases clear warnings were given but largely ignored and when the collapses came, almost everyone was taken by surprise. The shock was followed by the realisation that nothing would ever be the same again. Treasurers who had relied on BCCI as a guaranteed source of high interest on short term deposits, basing their faith in its Bank of England registration. have been forced to enquire more closely into the bona fides of the banks in which they place funds.

When MMI suspended the payment of claims and stopped issuing or renewing policies on October 1. it signalled a change of culture as profound as anything brought about by the failure of BCCI. MMI is paying claims again while talks on its future continue, but even if its business is transferred public sector insurance will have to change.

MMI, founded in 1903 by local authorities to provide cheap insurance, became the mainstay of insurance cover for councils and schools. In the early 1980s it adopted a more aggressive approach to sales which gave it the monopoly of the market for public liability cover. MMI guaranteed to better any quote offered by a rival and, at the same time, refused to allow councils to take voluntary excesses. The result was that councils came to regard MMI as the only place to turn for insurance. As premiums rose some councils increasingly adopted a policy of ensuring that claims matched

Colin Hamling, a liability under-



Wise words: Corporal Jones whose advice was 'don't panic'

writer with St Paul International Insurance, the United Kingdom arm of the American insurance group of the same name, told a recent seminar organised by councils, that they were to blame for much of their plight. "Councils have divided into two schools of thought," he said. "One was 'If I have to pay this premium I will get it back in claims, while the other said 'I will get the cheapest quote

possible and do as little as possible on my own behalf. Both attitudes displayed a fundamental misunderstanding of the role of insurance and demonstrated the need for a change of culture. Ian Ward, finance officer of the Association of District Councils, summed up the situation: "Just as it took BCCI to get decent Treasury practice into local government, it looks as though it has taken MMI to get good insurance practice."

ccording to both men, the way forward is for councils to adopt the twin strategies of reducing their exposure to risk, and reducing their insurance costs by more self insurance. Ken Kennedy, chairman of the Association of Local Authority Risk Managers (Alarm) and head of risk management at Surrey County Council, says that councils could do more to cut accidents and damage. Replacing broken paving stones can stop so-called "trip and slip" claims which can run to £100,000 each. The cost of the extra work can be met by savings from insurance premiums.

ernment to safeguard the community should be emphasised to barness the natural desire of public servants to benefit their communities. Local people, too, can help to keep an eye on schools and other municipal assets out of working hours in the spirit of neighbourhaod watch schemes. Most impor-tant of all, he says, is for public managers to follow Corpor-al Jones's advice and "don't

Richard Paver, director of Finance and Administration at Northamptonshire County Council, says that councils can protect the public purse by making sure that they cannot be sued for negligence if things go wrong. Rigorous inspection of highways, for exam-ple, will ensure that claims, which in law must be based on proving negligence, cannot succeed.

Northamptonshire has not used MMI for a decade having opted to set up its own internal insurance fund which now covers it for the first £750,000 of any loss. Cover for catastrophes is provided by top-up insurance policies. The county took sional advice from insurance brokers Sedgwick James, but Mr Paver concedes that district coun-cils will probably still need insurance cover to guard against almost all potential losses.

Local authority associations representing county, district and metropolitan authorities are investigating the possibility of setting up group policies, such as the one by the National Association of Local Councils through Cornhill offering blanket cover to all parish councils. Bill Taylor, Sedgwick James' local government adviser, says that, after years of being excluded from the local government market by MMI.'s "predatory pricing policy", insurance companies are reluctant to test the water. His advice is to get a good broker.

Mr Kennedy is not so sure. "The insurance world knows we are in trouble and they sense there is a killing to be made. Corporal Jones is not a bad role model after all."

DOUGLAS BROOM The author is assistant editor of Public Finance and Accountancy

Resisting rhetoric that prevents promotion

depths of a recession it is easy to forget that just two years ago we believed we faced an imminent labour shortage. Experts were predicting a demographic time bomb with a rapid decline in the number of school-leavers. This led both employers and the government to look for new ways to entice women back to work and to examine how more women could be trained and promoted.

For those involved in gender equality it seemed that economic necessity rather than political commitment would finally provide the breakthrough. However, the recession has put paid to our

In spite of growing unemployment, more women of working age have paid jobs in the United Kingdom than anywhere else in Europe except Denmark. Forecasts suggest that of every ten new iobs created in the next five years, eight will be taken by women, many of whom have family responsibilities.

The tradition of women work-

ing in local government is long established, not just in part-time low-paid jobs as cleaners or home helps but as social workers, librarians and teachers. This tradition may reflect the belief that women are good with people while men are good with numbers. Yet even in the "caring" jobs, the invisible ceiling which acts as a barrier to the promotion of women in the public sector seems as impregnable as ever.

For example, a government study of social services in 1990 found that although 87 per cent of people working in the social services were women, only 10 per cent of directors of social services were female; of these, half worked in London.

.The picture among local authority chief executives is even more depressing. Only ten of the 542 chief executives are women yet even this record is better than that of the private sector.

All over Britain, local govern-

ment employees are proclaiming themselves champions of equal opportunity. If all they do is sign

Women in the public sector still find the route to

the top barred to them, says

Margaret Hodge



up to Opportunity 2000 or add a line to job advertisements, it

seems fraudulent. Breaking the barriers to promotion in the present economic dimate is not easy. Public spending cuts, coupled with poll-tax and council-tax capping, mean that white male managers are even more determined to hang on to their jobs. In fact the financial constraints become an excuse for the failure to tackle the barriers to promotion for women.

This sort of nonsense must be vigorously challenged Even when resources are scarce, the culture and nature of the workforce can be changed. What is necessary is the will to achieve this. But the cultural changes required to promote equality remain immense. First, people tend to promote others with whom they feel at ease - people in their own image. So men continue promoting men.

Second, men in power tend to display a passive resistance to

support for women gaining top jobs but take no action. Third, it may be that the changes required are too threatening to most men, whose behaviour and social interaction are changed by the pres-

Recognising and overcoming these cultural barriers is an enormous task. Training everyone to manage the diversity that an equal opportunity policy de-mands will have to become a priority. At the same time, some easy and effective measures can be taken. Simple monitoring of the workforce is a powerful way of demonstrating inequality. Time-tables to increase the number of women managers is effective if targets are monitored.

Concentrating training resources on women to help them develop their careers is important. But the world of work is based on the assumption that the typical worker is a man. Our legislation on equality is similarly framed on the assumption that the norm for work is a man's.

So we continue to resist the introduction of flexible working hours for managers. Similarly, job sharing for managers is generally considered impossible. Maternity packages are considered a hixury at a time of financial cuts and career breaks for women

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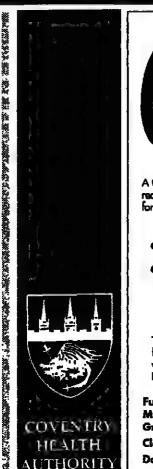
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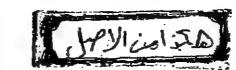
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GALLERIES: Richard Cork on a unique opportunity to explore the work of Poussin, supreme 17th-century classicist

So good, Poussin painted it twice





A tale from Tasso, twice over: Poussin's Tancred and Erminia in the original version, owned by the Hermitage, St Petersburg (detail, left), and the later painting, which normally hange in the Barber Institute, Birmingham University

lashing her hair with a sword, the weeping Erminia prepares to bind Tancred's wounds. The reck-lessness of her desperair gesture is startling, and conveys the full ex-tent of the Saracen princess's love for the Christian knight. Although Tancred seems to be dying after his victorious but punishing battle with the pagan giant Argantes, he opens his lips in a sigh which prompts Er-

minia to try and save his life. matic moment seized on by Nicola Poussin (1594-1665) in one of his most potent paintings. The canvas is normally to be found at the Hermitage, where it has long been regarded as a sublime manifestation of 17th-century painting. But now Tancred and Erminia has travelled from St Petersburg to Birmingham, where Richard Verdi has made it the delectable centrepiece of a superb exhibition at the City Art Gallery. Professor Verdi is director of the Barber Institute at Birmingham University, which owns Poussin's slightly later version of the same subject. So he decided to bring the two paintings together, and set them in the context not only of Poussin's other work but European art of the

The result is profoundly illuminating. Verdi allows us to trace Poussin's development as a young, ambitious and often very angry French painter who had made Rome his permanent home in 1624. Soon after he settled there, his painting of The Deposition showed just how much lacerating emotion he could bring to a

religious theme. Also on loan from the Hermitage, this harrowing picture places the stricken figures beneath a dark,

baleful sky. While St John staggers under the burden both of Christ's body and his own grief, the Virgin seems almost demented as she hangs over her son's inert form.
There is nothing remotely reassuring about the pallor of his flesh.
This cadaverous figure may well have been based on a real corpse, and two distraught putti (cherubs) give vent to paroxyams of distress as they how and clasp Christ's leg in a

futile attempt to resuscitate him. Poussin: however, had no wish to confine himself to religious subjects alone. Enormously well-read and erudite, he decided in the late 1620s to tackle a romantic episode from Jerusalem Delivered by the 16th-century Italian poet Torquato Tasso. Poussin's fiery temperament did not allow him to settle for a lyrical moment from Tasso's narrative. He determined instead to depict the disturbing moment when the enchantress Armida, having hulled Rinaldo to sleep, draws a dagger and prepares to assassinate the handsome warrior. But Poussin, with great daring, goes further. Even as she lunges forward with her weapon, moving so vengefully that her draperies billow behind like a galleon's sails in a high wind, Armida's hand touches the fingers of the man she

At that very instant, a sensual charge runs through her. Overcome by his beauty, she allows a resolute putto to poll back her dagger-bearing arm and stay the weapon's course. Hatred turns to love. Poussin celebrates this revelatory moment by letting Armida's auburn hair chime with the hot orange of Rinaldo's breeches, as well as the russet plume surmount-ing his splendidly burnished helmet.

'Hanging side by side, surely for the first time in their long history, the two canvases prove how radically Poussin revised his interpretation'

Nothing in the bare segment of landscape behind is allowed to detract from the dynamism of the tightly-knit, almost sculptural figure-group. When Poussin turned Tancred and Erminia, though, he let the surrounding countryside play a more eloquent role in conveying the scene's meaning. Dusk is approaching, just as Tasso describes. But the extensive stretch of sky still reflects the warmth of a near-extinguished sun.

Poussin uses this ambiguity mood to elucidate the rest of the picture. The corpse of the vanquished giant Argames sprawls in the middle distance, painted so thinly that he almost seems to be dissolving into the gore-drenched earth. The smell of death appears to pervade the entire scene, and Tancred's kneeling squire Vafrino droops over his master's body with a sense of helpless bereavement. Although he props up Tancred's chin with his fingers, Vairing seems as overcome with grief as St John in

the earlier Deposition image.
As if to confirm the resemblance between the two paintings, Poussin gives Erminia a swooping pose directly reminiscent of the Deposition's Virgin. The undertones of a religious lamentation deepen Tancred and Erminia, and reinforce its feeling of loss. But the differences between the two anguished women are more telling than their similar-ities. While the Virgin simply

wrings her hands in the face of death's incontrovertible reality.

and hacks off her own hair. The self-violation implicit in this act becomes still more alarming when we realise how difficult such a severing must be. Erminia, though, is energised by the attempt. Her whole during body appears quickened, ready to use her slashed tresses in a last-ditch attempt to stem the gush of blood from Tancred's body.

Erminia spatches Tancred's sword

oussin gives no sure indi-cation of her likely success, and the painting's pre-dominantly elegiac air is hardly countered by Erminia's impulsive movement. But her selflessness is heroic, and the white horse standing behind her gives further cause for optimism. Unlike the other house, a deep

brown animal who turns away from the action to brood over the departing sun, this beautiful steed stares down at Erminia. Without resorting to soppy anthropomorphism, Poussin gives the white horse a radiance and even an aura of compassion as it gazes with quiet confidence at Erminia's intervention. Moreover, the flowers springing so plentifully from the foreground support the view that life may yet return to Tancred's

Although Poussin arrived at an unforgetiable fusion of melancholy, tenderness and hope in this supremely poetic painting, he was dissatisfied. Around 1634, a few years after completing the Hermitage Tancred and Erminia, he produced another version of precisely the same moment in Tasso's poem. Hanging side by side, surely for the first time in their long history, the two carryases prove how radically Poussin revised his inter-

pretation of the theme. He may have felt that the earlier picture was too mournful, for its extensive sky is no longer allowed to preside over the scene. A substantial boulder now rises up to block most of the clouds in the centre, and several trees punctuate what remains of the sky. The distance is largely withheld from view, resulting in a shallow, frieze-like picturespace where Tancred, Erminia and Valino perform like classical fig-

ures carved in a stone relief. But they are far from petrified. The emphasis, here, is on more vigorous, purposeful action than before. Urged on by two smiling putti carrying torches in the sky, one joyful and the other somewhat apprehensive. Valrino refuses to kneel. He only bends his knees. speaking now as he tries to haul his master up from a recumbent position. In the Hermitage version, Tancred's torso is clothed and armoured - apart from a chest partially bared to expose his

NUMBER In the Barber version, by contrast, the whole upper half of his body is naked. The powerful masculature suggests that Tancred has the stamina to survive, and the golden drapery swathing his loins and thighs certainly emits a healthy glow. With Vafrino's help, his left arm is now stretched out to receive Erminia's assistance, and may even be supported by her knee.

She, nevertheless, is the most transformed figure of all. The graceful, darting woman in the Hermitage canvas has become more complex. Her arms are bare now, and she hacks at her hair with greater ferocity. Less willowy and more Amazonian, she grabs the tendrils with a bunched fist held

high in the air.
But alongside this new determination, Erminia displays an intensified sense of suffering. Crouching over Tancred rather than remaining upright as before. she seems anxious to complete the severing before it is too late.

On the whole, however, the Barber picture is the more positive. One horse turns to watch the sky on the right, where dawn replaces the sunset gloom on the other side of the painting. Tancred's plumed

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helmet bristles resiliently in the foreground, and one of the putti ciutches arrows ready for the mo-ment when Erminia is finally united with her love. The religious undercurrent, which gives Tancred a Christ-like capacity to rise from Saracen princess will be converted to the Christian faith.

In its verve and originality, combining the secular and the sacred with no hint of strain, the Barber version is a formidable achievement. No wonder it turned so many British collectors into Poussin devotees after Sir James Thornhill purchased the painting

Ultimately, though, I prefer the less severe and more tremulous quality of the Hermitage canvas, where the stoic virtues of nobility, strength and self-sacrifice are matched by a lovely Venetian sensuousness — along with an awareness of human vulnerability pitched against the waning of the

Tancred and Erminia is at Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery (021-235 4514), Mon-Sat 9.30am-spm, Sun 2-Spm, until January 3.

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TELEVISION REVIEW: both patients and doctors examined

Director rom time to time, television shows things that make you curl up in sheet Convernmen ment. The Press needs no lessons in & Political the invasion of privacy, but seldom does it intrude as gramitously as last night's Cutting Edge on Channel 4.

Here were a group of patients suffering the indignities of mental breakdown while the cameras rolled. All, we were told, had given permission to be filmed, though that hardly seemed true of Paul, a diabetic putient who lew into a perfectly justified rage. "Will you tell that may to piece off pounds." tell that guy to piss off, now!" he shouted. "I don't want to be filmed." Disgracefully, his request was ignored. Later, he attacked both soundman and cameraman, but seems to have only winged

The other patients included Violet, who wisely held her tongue as doctors, nurses and television crew coaxed her to speak; Jenny, who believed that the social workers were going to take away her children and cut them up; and a 95-year-old man, Mr Lucas, whose long and self-reliant life was finally coming to an end. He sat incontinent on a chair, his face eloquent with grief, while family, doctors and social workers discussed what was to become of him. It was horrible to watch.

The excuse for this voyeurism was the work of the crisis team from Barnet Central lead by consultant psychiatrist Lawrence Ratna. What he said was humane and reason-

Private pain put on public display

Cutting Edge/ Doctors to Be Channel 4/BBC 2

able, but I'm certain I wouldn't put myself in his hands if I felt my reason slipping away. How caring can a man be if he does not care for his patients' dignity? Once it was necessary to visit Bedlam if you wanted to shiver deliciously at the incapacity of others; now we can do

it at home. Such is progress.
Embarrassment, though less acute, was also upper-most in Doctors to Be, the first of a series of programmes on BBC 2 following the careers of young hopefuls who applied to become medical students at St Mary's, Paddington, in 1984. We watched them being interviewed by a panel for places at the school, smiling and sweating and hoping desperately to impress. Nobody, of course, said they wanted to become doctors because it is

secure, reasonably well paid, and enables you to sit on interview panels with huge power over the lives of others, all tried to demonstrate what well-rounded people they were. Most of us at some time have lied our way through awk-ward quarters of an hour in just this style.

A s it happens, all the young people shown in the programme had obvious qualities, though some were ill prepared If you are going to claim an interest in poetry, it is best to know some, preferably just obscure enough to impress the dean of a medical school. One candidate, pressed to admit that an interest in biology really had no relevance to a career in medicine, finally concurred. He should have told the interviewer not to be so silly, but it would have done him no good

The series, which will follow the students through their training and into practice, looks promising. Eight years older and under the lash as junior hospital doctors, some of them are showing signs of regretting their decisions. Medicine still demands as a rite of passage that its apprentices be subjected to working conditions that would have brought a blush to the cheek of Dr Gradgrind. But then nobody on this show pretended the job was suitable for idealists. nobody except the 17-year-olds,

Looking for class acts REMEMBER those school visits by local arts companies when the

embly hall was turned into a theatre, dancers pounded the wooden floor and writers read their work to a rapt teenage audience? Money to pay for such welcome in-trusions into school life may be supplemented next year by the Sains-bury's. Arts Education Awards, launched by Lord Sainsbury with the backing of arts figures includ-ing Richard Byre, director of the National Theatre, Nick Scrota, director of the Tate Gallery, Nicholas Payne, director of Opera North, and Christopher Gable, artistic director of Northern Ballet Theatre.

A total of £200,000 is available to arts organisations for work with young people and £50,000 will go to secondary schools for their own projects. Eyre said the emphasis should be on quality of experience for young people; encounters with second-rate performers are "next to uscless". Drama, he added, is not a marginal part of education; it is as popular with school leavers as English, medicine or law, Scrota said he recognised the value of an early introduction to the arts; he confessed to detaching himself from the school party on trips to London and sneaking off to gallerics. Application forms can be obtained from Sainsbury's Awards Administration, 2 Portland Road,

TONIGHT the curtain goes up on NIGEL HAWKES one of the more unlikely theatrical

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productions of the year. Alan Rickman, of Die Hard and Truly, Madly, Deeply fame, will take his acclaimed interpretation of Hamlet to a converted truck warehouse in Barrow. The production, which recently enjoyed a sold-out season at London's Riverside Studios. runs until Saturday at Brady's Warehouse. It has been produced by Thelma Holt, that doughty champion of the underdog, as part of an effort to boost the economy of the Cumbrian port, which has been badly affected by the decline of the shipbuilding industry.

Last chance . . .

REGARDED as the "French Francis Bacon" by some (few of them in France). Jean Roustin has been working away for years in relative obscurity so conjure up a dark and slightly morbid world where the shadows seem to conceal monstrosities just beyond our vision. Recently he has been the subject of a major book, and London's Cooling Gallery (071-409 3500) offers the first real chance in Britain to assess a range of his work. Even those not wholly convinced of his statute may well be impressed by his draughtsman-

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veek season of comedy with an assortment of acts. Tonight Jo Brand and Jeff Green, taker appearances include comedy dub regulars Jeremy Hardy, Kit Hollerbach, Kewn Day, Donna McPrail, Authur Smith and Steve. Coogan. Australian come: Mark Little appears for two nights (Nov 10, 11) Bloomsbury Theatre, 15 Gordon Street, London WC1 (071-387 9629).

BALLET TEATRO ESPANOL: First which luses belief and ramenco— performing Aguiler's versions of Ravei's Solero and Loma's drama The House of Bernarda Alba. Sediler's Wells. Posebery Avenue, London EC1 (071-278 8915), lonight-Sat. 7.30pm.

KINGS: Christopher Logue's awerd-wrning version of Booles One and Two of Homer's Rad returns to the National for three performances National (Cottestoe), South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 2252), Longht-Thura, 8pm

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riman's scorching psychological ima on the longing for revenge my Downie, Darmy Webb and Hugh Ross make up the cast.
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IN KISS OF THE SPICIER WOMAN: Adventurous production of the Kander & Elbb musical, based on Manual Puig's calebrated rovel. Crista Rivera makes a striking Spyder Worman. Shaftesbury Shaftesbury Avenue. IVC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Sat Spm. mats Wed, Sat. 3pm. 180mms

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TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to aris compiled by Karl Knight

HEER RANJHA: This take of star-crossed lovers is as terrous; in India and Paksan as Romeo and Juliet is in Europe. The story, first written down in the 18th century and subject to numerous retellings was adapted by Jander Verma for Tara Arts Shelley King plays Heer and David Tee is Ranjile. Opening night Threathe Royal Strettond East, Geory Batter Stream Edd (1911), 634 (1911). HEER RANJHA: This take of star-

Theatre Royal Streeters East Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310). GEORGE BENSON: The return of the smooth ballacleer and fine jazz gutans? Westbley Arena, Westbley, Middleass, (061-900 1234), 8pm

BAASA MAAL: Also playing at the Jazz Café on Thursday, top Senegales singer Maal offers swelle and danceable gnooves on his new album Lam Too. He appears with his band Daande Leno including his guitarist, Marsour Seck, and dances: Grand Theetre, Clasham Junction, St.

REGIONAL

BRADFORD: Monthern Ballet Theatre lours the regions with A Christmas Carol, the new ballet-drama based on Dickene's tale. The production based on university a link, things together (sponsored by Digital) brings together team choreographic Mesamo Moricona, who was responsible for NBT's successful Romeo and Juliet, and composer Carl Davis Lively

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RADIO TIMES: Tony Statisty in a Li haute i traces cony seasony in a far mp down Memory Lane, set in wentime Broadcesting House, bursting with sprightly Noel Gay numbers. Queens's Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-194-6040), Mon-Fri, 7 30pm, Sat. Sprit, mals. Thurs., 2 30pm, Sat, 4 30pm, 150mms.

STHE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE Territor performance by Alson Study at the resource summer in Jim Cartwright's play about dreams, shyness and homble mothers Addunych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-536 8404) Mon-Sat. 8pm, met Sat. 4pm.

 SHADES: Patricia Hodge takes over the role of brave widow hoping for remarrage in Sharmen Macdonald's bitler-sweet drama. Touching moments vers less than it prom Albery, St Marter's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1118) Mort-Set, 8pm, mats Thurs. 3pm, Sat, 4pm 120mms

Stockard Chamming as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con arant ter-dependence Semedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-887 045) Mon-Set, Spm, mate Wed, Spm, Set. 4cm 90mms.

TROUGLE IN MIND: Vibrarii staging of Afree Children's longoiten

INSPIRED LIMITATION OF MANAGEMENT OF MANAGEM Royal Court, 1 Ron Street (051-709) 4321], 7.30pm.

MEWCASTLE-UPON-TYME: (Irrador Stephen Daldry's brillant National Theate produceon of Priestley's psychological thriller, An Inspector Cells, goes on a nationwide tour. Theater Boyal, 100 Grey Street, Newcastle (091-232 2001), tonight-Sat, 7 30pm, mess Thura, 2pm, Sat, 2-30pm.

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TAUNTON: After his rope-exinging Midsummer Night's Dream for UFT leaf year, the Romanian director Alexandru barie applies his ingenuty to another of Strategory's plans thanh Add Strateaspectre's plays: Much Adio About Nothing, This is a co-poduction with the Odord Stage Company and is on tour until November. Brewhouse Theetre, Coal Orchard

(0523 333244), tongre-Sat. 7 45cm, mets Thurs, Sat., 2 30pm WOLVERHAMETON: This is Opens 80's first tour since changing its name in English Touring Opens. Following its Landon sinng the company's new production of Ward's Falstail, types review below right) directed by Tim Hopkins, receives its regional premare. The lowers grounding includes the reprints, receives as regards premium, The fournit grepation includes the spring 1992 production of Don Glovanni Jonethen Valva playe Falsant, Margans Presco and Kathyn Hide play the respectable women; Stephen Barlow

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black Wreemen play William back step banter and cleverly delivered message. Tricycle, 269 Kibum High Road, NW8 (071-328 1000). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Set, 4pm. 735mins.

THE TWO GRATTLEMEN OF VERONA: Dawd Thacker's wirning revice. Thries sayle, both comic and romantic, delightfully acted — not least by a represcrint must. Bertalens, Sik Street, EC2 (071-558 8891). Tonight-Thurs, 7 15pm, met Thurs, 2pm 150mm.

DA WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE: Philip Provinc's Intemphant RSC production. John Cartele as a cellous productors, upon current an a capacity areasons in Wilde's accel malockerne lead with wit. With Gwen Wastord and Nada Sharp.
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HUSBANDS AND WIVES (15): Woody Allon's best film in years, a lacerating late of collegising New York memagas. Stars Allen, Ma Farrow, Judy Davis, Limm Neeson, Julietip Lewis.
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OPERA: Rodney Milnes is disappointed by two of this year's Wexford offerings

Too many errors spoil the comedy

PERHAPS it would have been expecting too much for the remaining two operas at the Wexford Festival to match the quality of the Piccolo Marat with which it opened. But even allowing for the festival's quitotic insistence on mounting three new productions on three successive evenings in its tiny theatre, which means that one at least nearly always draws the short straw, Gli equivoci and Der-Vampyr let us down with a fearful

Da Ponte's libretto for Gli equivoci. based all too faithfully on The Comedy of Errors, dates from the same year as Pigaro (1786); Mozart would have demanded some tidying up, but his friend Stephen Storace (brother of the first Susanna) evidently didn't. There is a hideous predictability about the action, and any ideas that could have been developed - the Mozartian relationship between the sisters. illusion-versus reality in general — remain unexplored. Storace's music is homespun 18th-century by the yard, like Haydn on an off-day rather than

This fragile piece needs all the help it can get, but was here left to fend for itself. Russell Craig's clever permanent set had a promising number of entrances and exits, but the credit in the programme to Giles Havergal as producer could perhaps have been a misprint the opera looked virtually

The cast pranced and mugged as they must have done in their student days, and when singers look into the pit to pull faces at a low bassoon note, you know you are in serious trouble. Worst of all, the poor singers were made to strike "please applaud me" poses at the end of numbers, and there were several embarrassing silences before the numbed but generous audience caught on.

Indeed, the overloud, graceless sing-ing did not inspire confidence in the quality of the musical preparation, and Mark Shanahan's conducting was depressingly limp. Even when something interesting happened in the



Bloodless production: Frances Luces, Walkant Parcher in Der Vanger

music - a corner neatly turned, a graceful modulation — he affected not to notice. The evening tended to confirm the suspicion that Rodgers and Hart's The Boys from Syracuse is a better Comedy of Errors opera than Storace's Equivoca

Both these evenings confirmed what is more than a suspicion, indeed an incontrovertible fact, that the conduc-

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out "for heaven's sake get on with it". The opera is based on Policion's short story, product of his famous soiourn with Byron and the Shelleys by Lake Geneva in 1816. It is a sort of Don Giovanni with blood: Lord Ruthven, the bloodsacker of the title, is required to dispose of three virgins an hysteric, a peasant and a haughty aristocrat - within 24 hours if he is to gain another year on earth. He does well enough, only just missing out on

Jean-Claude Auvray, the producer unwisely ignored the Byronic prose-nance and concentrated instead on banal cinematic references, transferring the action, in antationish looking decor by Kenny MacLellan, to the present day. The plot that not praceed amountly amids because this least the mounted Ails metaphor, was notable by its absence. Therefore the detecting all the metaphor was notable. ring the action, in assatzurish-looking by its accence. Lagrager of dressing all three victims in sed and making them seem eager for their fate should perhaps be established by some panel of political east respectively on the director's basic craft, and avoided at least two egulariassing figures while the story out their ready in large effectors for two curbarrassing filtuness while the supply got itself ready in long silences for which the composer had carelessly filled to provide music.

At least these was some worthy singing esperally from Frances Lucey as the peasage girl: she shaped her Semi-style Ballad gratefully in good dear German Waher MacNell: a Glyantchourne. Alfredo, was excellent as the indecisive hero the learns what is afoot in the first act, but does nothing

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DANCE: Improvisation impresses Nadine Meisner

Beautifully made up

THE heart did sink rather on reading the prosaic title of Laurie Booth's new show at Riverside Studios: Improvisations With Dance/Music/Poetry. But in the event, such foreboding proved largely unjustified. Improvisation, that risky practice offering rambling boredom more often than magical theatre, here found the right chemistry. Each component sparked off the other to achieve a satisfying if outlandish

It doubtless helped that Booth is a ce improviser, and that the performance's structure was prearranged into carefully defined sec-tions, with changes of lighting and accompaniment. It also helped that Booth surrounded himself - as he always does - with skilled collaborators.

Aaron Williamson's text was the only prepared ingredient a weird and wonderful assemblage of nonsense sentences ("a furnace itself pacified to redemption" and so on), beautifully and compellingly turned, and communicating a fascination with the delinquent power of speech.

These utterances the author spat out, howled, or intoned; occasionally, he also beat a quiet rhythm on a hand drum. Alex Balanescu, the composer and musician, created linear freeflowing notes on his violin. The two men established a seamless interplay, unfettered by the fact that although Williamson could see the dance, he could not, being profoundly deaf, hear the music.

Booth's fellow dancer, Russell Maliphant, formerly a stylish but overlooked member of Sadler's Wells

Laurie Booth/ Paula Josa-Jones Riverside/The Place

Royal Ballet, did not quite equal Booth's inventiveness in his movement ideas: but then Booth likes to lead anyway, and Maliphant was having to fit in with Booth's distinctive language. Both men evolved its organic, fluid

vivially, boneless twist crouches and upended tilts used as much upper- as lower-body strength, while partnering sequences exploited the rolling leverages of the oncepopular technique of contact improvi-

Given that the movement was not choreographéd, what surprised the eye was how one performer would not only echo but often simultaneously duplicate the other: a mirror-image harmony accentuated by the two men's nearidentical appearance.

Booth's programme paid off for its resenters, Dance Umbrella; but Panla Josa-Jones, from the United States, did the same festival a big disservice. Her solo, The Messenger, and com-pany piece. Eine kleine Nachtmusik, at The Place, offered cheap sensationalism disguised as surrealism.

No amount of dry ice, cross dressing elaborately decadent posturings, and sexual relationships in various permutations could conceal a threadbare imagination and creaky performances. One hopes that it did not put off speciators from trying the worthwhile events to come in Dance Umbrella. OPERA: Hilary Finch on a purely musical success

Thin stuff for a fat man

Whether or not that was director Tim Hopkins's intention is open toquestion — and that is part of the problem with this production. Are the cut-out chipboard sets (Peter Davisor), dismally lit (by Simon Corder) in acrid nucise, mellow velicov and mid night green meant to look drab, a the final fugue notching into place, is a temporary and precarious, or are they simply the result of a shortage of funds and talent? Are the mannered, neocommedia dell'arte gesturing and the ragbag costumes of the cast intended to make a point, or do they merely indicate a lack of confidence and spaceawareness?

The fact that these questions need to

ETO's Faistaff, in other words, falls between two stools; or rather three. The Garter Inn, in this production, is divided into three cell-like structures for Falstaff, Bardolph and Pistol, and each furnished with a single stool and what appears to be a pile of rotting

AS BEFITS its new name, English Touring Opera (formerly Opera 80) has started its autumn tour with a new production of Verdi's Faistaff, sung in English, which seems deliberately to emphasise the company's identity as a travelling troupe.

be asked at all means that, dramatically, this Falstaff is, as yet, unconvincing. There are clearly not the resources for either a Glyndebourne naturalism or an ENO surrealism; but neither, it. seems, is there the invention to compete with the compelling shoestring productions of either Pimlico or City of Birmingham Touring Opera in recent years.

After these visual and dramatic continues on tour.

Falstaff

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disappointments, the musical excel-lence of this Faistoff is a great constitution. Stephen Barlow conducts an orchestra on linest form, teasing out the laughter, gossip, and emotional wounding within Verdi's score. To hear the musical working of the wine. gurgling and effervescing through Faistail's body, to feel the cog wheels o

wonder renewed.

Falstaff himself has not an ounce of spare flesh in the voice. Jonathan Veira sustains a clear, lithe line throughout, though he is only at the very beginning of exploring the character. The women, too, are cast more for the ear than for the mind. Margaret Preece as Alice, Gaynor Morgan as Nannetta, Kathryn Hide as Mistress Page and Marie Walshe as Mistress Quickly make for a vividly blended palette of voices, but are as yet less than distinctive as individual characters.

Patrick Donnelly's Ford, alone of the company, makes his mark at å deeper level, dark and saturnine in a cloth of gold whose money can't buy him love. The young Russian tenor Alexandre Naoumenko is making a (keenly watched) company debut, but as yet seems vocally strained in a nonetheless linguistically admirable Fenton. There are further performances at the Grand, Wolverhampton, from tomorrow until Saturday (in repertory with Don Giovanni), and then the company

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As for arrists, writers, composers: many feel a duty to warn against the coming dark age. But how? Most are comtent to bask in their own deverness, constrained within artistic styles that are too cerebral to communicate to mass audiences.

So much for the Thirties, The American historian Francis Fukuyama has assured us that history will never repeat itself. Science and democracy, those celestial twins. are apparently leading us ever up-wards. Those of a more pessimistic inclination disagree: we have seen the events of the early Nineties before, and would be fools not to learn from the escalating desperation of the

When the Aldeburgh Foundation planned its four-day Britten/Weill Festival, the organisers could hardly have imagined that the public mood would be quite as dark as it is. But in fact last weekend's superbly researched and performed series of concerts at Snape Maltings (supported by Audi and the European Arts Festival) had the kind of devastating topicality that only chance can bring, because it focused on the period in the late 1930s when Benjamin Britten and Kurt Weill - two of the most: fertile musico-dramatic geniuses of the century — each grappled with the dilemma of what an artist may usefully do in a world teetering on the brink of an abyss.

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Each composer had gone to America for good reasons. As a Jew, Weill could not write music-theatre anymore in Berlin; Broadway was a natural second home. He had to adapt the acidic, hard-hitting style with which, a decade earlier, he had served up Brecht's bitter anti-capitalist polemic in The Threepenry Opera and Mahagonny. But he did so without losing identity or integrity. nor by making a cynical dissent into

Neither did he forsake his social ideals. Indeed, Knickerbocker Holiday, the send-up of Roosevelt's New Deal which he and the playwright great South African novel, Cry the Maxwell Anderson fashioned out of Beloved Country - succeeded in



Britten and Weill: grappling in the 1930s with the dilemma of what an artist may usefully do in a world teetering on the brink of an abyss

Washington Irving's saure, is, if snything, more interesting than the Weill/Brecht collaborations because it makes its points more subtly and charmingly. Besides that bluersweet classic, "September Song", it includes as fine an array of wryly-transformed genre pieces as: Sondheim never wrote. And it was a hir on the Broadthe talent league.
What of Britten's involvement with way of Irving Berlin, Cole Porter and Jerome Kern! Consider how unlikely a modern parallel would be a "serious" leftish composer, respected

within the new-music cottene, decides that instead of sneering at the Lloyd Webber hit-machine, he will take him on at his own game, reaching millions without compromising his

message. Impossible? Weill did it, not once but several times. After Knickerbocker Holiday came the breathtakingly lyrical "psychological musical" Lady in the Dark, which is surely due for proper stage revival, after its successful Edinburgh Festival concert outing a few years back. Even the problematic Lost in the Stars — Weill's last work, an adaptation of Alan Paton's

bringing a serious subject to the attention of a big audience, and supplied some of the most powerful choruses ever heard on Broadway. Of course, there are people with serious aspirations who are writing musicals today; the problem is that they are about three divisions below Weill in

America? He followed W.H. Auden there because, like Auden, he felt stifled by the petty world of the British Left. To Auden and Britten, America was not so much a place, more a state

"Every day America's destroyed America is what you do.

America is I and you.

America is what you choose to make it." Bunyan, the 1941 musical which Britten and Auden intended for Broadway, though the nearest it got was the campus of Columbia University. Britten was far too bright to see how absurdly idealistic this vision of

America was: how could the millions

caught up in the Great Depression

think of America as "what you choose to make it?".
In fact, he had already decided that

"this country has all the faults of Europe and none of its attractions". He was also too honest not to realise that his future did not lie in becoming the second Cole Porter, though with his astonishing cabaret song, "Oh Tell Me the Truth about Love", he did make a good attempt to write the second "Night and Day".

ut the point is that the experience of writing music specifically geared to widespread appreciation had crystallised the young Britten's rather wishy-washy socialism into a hard determination to be "useful, and to

the living".

Much of the pleasure of last weekend lay in the performances: the BBC Singers under Simon Joly putting across the Knickerbocker Holiday and Paul Bunyan choruses in admirable style; the Austrian composer/singer, H.K. Gruber adding his singular accent and touching delivery to some solo numbers: the soprano Angelina Réaux squeezing every drop of feeling, wry or wistful from the cabaret songs; and a whole batch of young talent from the Britten-Pears School demonstrating. under Steuart Bedford's direction, where Weill came from, with wellprepared (if occasionally too genteel) concert versions of *The Threepenny Opera* and *Happy End*. If nothing else, the festival told us that there is a wealth of brilliant theatre music here, just waiting to be revived.

But it also told us something more important still. Many argue that the music Weili wrote in America is less "important" than his Berlin output. There can certainly be no argument that Britten's American output is insignificant compared with what came after. That whole Thirties gang were in many respects mixed-up and unsuccessful. But at least they tried to make their art useful to people who were facing uncertainty, ruin, oblivion. If Fukuyama is right, composers and poets of today can continue on their own sweet way, amusing their own little fan clubs. If he is wrong our generation needs its Brittens and Weills too. But following their example will take courage as well as talent.

Freedom to sing the blues

David Sinclair talks to an American

singer and guitarist whose career received its first boost from a British record label

R ainer is an American blues singer and slide guitarist of east European descent (his name is pronounced Ryner). He lives with his wife and two children in Tuscon, Arizona where he works as a guitar repairman at a musical instrument store. He is 41, drives a 1962 Ford Falcon Station Wagon and plays a 1933 National steel-bodied guitar. He has two ambitions. One is to play a show in Prague, the capital of his late father's homeland, which he has never visited. Another is to make enough money to be able to buy the house which he and his family have rented for the past 15 years. For that he needs a deposit of about \$50,000 to

get a morigage.
This week he comes a ste closer to realising both his dreams. He has no recording contract in America, but his first solo album, Worried Spirits, has just been released by a small, British company called Demon Records. Recorded in two days in a shed under the desert, and featuring nothing but Rainer's voice and guitar, it is an album of intimate, slow-burning

intensity. His touch is cerily authentic a finger-picking country blues style that clanks and drifts out of time, intercut with a steel tube glissando that soars like hope on the wings of a dove. In this regard, the 15 songs are haunted by the dusty, howling spirit of Robert Johnson. But Rainer's voice is another matter. His clipped modulations and white man's timbre have been likened to those of David Byrne (formerly of Talking

The overall result is mesmerising, a new evocation of emotion. "Music to me is always a very direct form of expression. There should be

nothing intellectual about it." Rainer says firmly. It was in 1954 that the three-year-old Rainer, his Czechoslovakian-born father, his German-born mother and elder brother made their bid for freedom from the communist-run sector of East Berlin.

illegal emigration was still fraught with danger. Two years later the family emigrated to America, where they settled on the west side of Chicago. Growing up just outside the city's black neighbourhood, Rainer absorbed the sound and feel of the blues. Listening to a local radio station he heard a song called "Slow Down" by the late singer/guitarist J.B. Lenoir.

He dashed out to buy a copy of

There was no Berlin Wall, but

Lenoir's album, which he eventually wore out. Rainer later discovered that Lenoir away from his home, although he was too young to have gone into it when it was still there.

Steeped in the magic of Muddy Waters, Son House, Lemon Jefferson and other bluesmen, Rainer has a wideranging interest in all sorts of music, and includes The Replacements, XTC and the Gipsy Kings among his current favountes.

He drifted down to Tuscon in 1972, where he fell in with a tightly-knit community of like-minded musicians and became a founder member of the bands Naked Prey, Giant Sand and The Band of Blacky Ranchette. Rainer found it "a great place to get started. I'm a big fish in a little pool. If I'd stayed in Chicago I wouldn't have had anything like the

same success."

In 1984 he formed a trio billing itself as Rainer and Das Combo. The band was lauded by Rolling Stone magazine and championed by Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top, but it



ill-fated Making Waves, which provided a contract. In 1986 Das Combo released the album Barefoot Rock With, a glorious, wiry collection which was abruptly deleted when the company went bankrupt.

Since then Das Combo has drifted apart, but Rainer is now returning to the fray. The gathering popular acclaim for bives based acts such as Chris Whitley and John Campbell, and the revived fortunes of veteran blueswaller John Hammond Jr, suggest that the climate is as favourable as it has ever been for an act with Rainer's stark appeal.

● Worried Spirits by Rainer (Demon FIEND 723) is released this week. Rainer is performing at the Town. & Country (with Rory Gallagher), London NW5 (071-284 0303) on Thursday and the 100 Club London WI 201-628. 100 Club. London W1 (071-636

Four-part harmony gets tighter

ith ticket sales in a trough and despondent music promoters doing their own version of the danse macabre, these are not the best of times for performers to go on tour. But as far as Manhattan Transfer are concerned, the financial constraints have produced a welcome side-effect.

On the road with the minimum of trimmings — just acoustic bass, piano and lightweight percussion — Tim Hauser and his colleagues Janis Siegel, Alan Paul and Cheryl Bentyne sound sharper than ever. For once you can hear every nuance of the lush four-part harmonies. Thereare no synthesizers, nor any of electro-pop accessories which cluttered up the last The Officeat of

The group, who appear at

There's more to Manhattan Transfer than British audiences realise, says Clive Davis

the Festival Hall on Friday. are advertising their current dates as "The Acoustic Tour". As Hauser admits, "acoustic" is a suphernism for "reces-When attendances dropped in the summer of last year, the quartet decided to try to slash their overheads, with the result that their voices

returned to their rightful position at the forefront. A one-week residency at the Blue Note chib in New York in April won exceptionally warm reviews. A spacious concert hall, on the other hand, is not the best place to appreciate the subtleties of this low-key format. At Rotterdam's De Doelen complex earlier this month the acoustics were decent enough, but some of the

note-for-note reproductions of instrumental solos - were bound to lose a fraction of their impact. That problem was outweighed by the power of the ensemble work and its ever-shifting tonal shades. The tour marks Manhattan

Transfer's twentieth anniversary. In that time they have woven together an unlikely patchwork of styles, adding a sprinkling of jazz virtuosity to everything they touch. The ingredients came together to perfection on the Grammywinning album Vocalese, a collaboration with musicians of the calibre of Dizzy Gillespie

and the Basie Orchestra.
After a long association with Atlantic, the group moved to Columbia last year. Offbeat of the Avenues was the first fruit of the new relationship, and a Christmas album is due to follow, with orchestrations by

month. Only a fortnight ago

Andrew Davis conducted a

splendid performance of the oratorio The Kingdom with

the BBC Symphony Orchestra. On Sunday it was the turn

of Caractacus, composed in

1897-8. The London Sym-

phony Orchestra and Chorus

delivered a mighty performance under the dedicated

direction of Richard Hickox.

The piece, however, has one

major flaw, and that is its

libretto, stitched together in

amateurish, often uninten-

tionally comical couplets by

Harry Acworth, Elgar's neigh-

bour at Malvern.

eglected Elgar oratorios are faring well in London this Johnny Mandel, the arranger on Shirley Horn's hit album Here's To Life.

Hom's set was a spectacular

chart success in America this year, in Britain it sank without trace. Manhattan. Transfer complain that they have faced similar difficulties with British listeners, who tend to categorise them as a light entertainment nostalgia act eranking out endless versions of "Tuxedo Junction". While their audiences in Europe and Japan have grown steadily, their British following has ebbed away over the last

One way of restoring it, they think, might be to play a residency at a West End theatre. If that happens, the public will have to learn to accept that Hauser and friends have moved on since the days of "Chanson d'amour".

Do they ever perform that particular golden oldie? Yes, says, Hauser - if they have a gun to their head, and they know it's loaded.



Manhattan Transfer: at the Festival Hall on Friday

LONDON CONCERTS

Drama of druids and drainpipes

courageous and wise as Caractacus, led the team of soloists. Arthur Davies seemed to be straining in the tenor role of Orbin, while Judith Howarth. as Eigen: was also disappointing, a touch over-awed by the power required; for this role you really need an Isolde, and she is not yet that. Alastair Miles, arriving late in the work, was an effectively ripe

The orchestral writing, however, is often as fertile and rich Claudius. as anything in Gerontius or Like everyone else, I was wondering how to pronounce the symphonies, and the climaxes to the later scenes in the title of Benedict Mason's particular are quite wonderful. new work for the first of the London Sinfonietta's four Two baritones in fine form. Stephen Roberts in the dual concerts celebrating its twentyrole of Arch-Druid and Bard, fifth birthday last week. Apparently, ! refers to the and David Wilson-Johnson, phonetic representation of the appropriately commanding.

the clip-clop of a horse's hooves, something which the experts call an alveopalatal

Mason's note drew parallels with the playing and singing of the peoples that use such sounds in their everyday language. Certainly, this vibrant, dense and neurotically energetic work contains its fair share of African and South American influences, rhythmically as well as sonically. There are overtones of swaggering. iazzish rhythms in its virtuoso, multi-layered textures, for instance, and the repertoire of exotic instruments it requires

is bewildering. A solo for a Schwirrbogen -

which is sounded by swirling it around - opens the piece, and a whole ensemble of them. played by all but one musician (the heckelphone player) and the conductor from all around the auditorium, hauntingly closes it. The sound resembled a surreal invasion of several swarms of bees. Then there were Udu pots, devil chasers, gourds partly submerged in water, drainpipe sections filled with dried peas, the inevitable lengths of hosepipe, kalimbas.

But neither title nor instruments were just gimmicks. There was 100 much energy and imagination in the work for it to be dismissed so simply, and it is also shaped carefully, so that the piece could sit without embarrassment beside even a masteroiece like Peter Maxwell Davies's A Mirror of Whitening Light (1977), which Elgar Howarth conducted and the Sinfonietta played with equal conviction and assurance.

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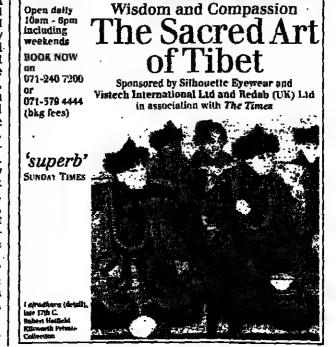
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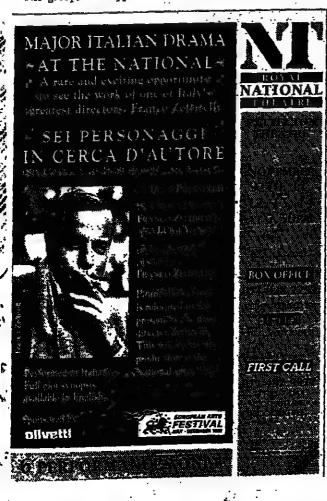
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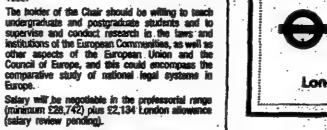
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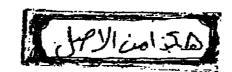
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A matter of life and birth

Was it right to perform a caesarean without consent? Sally Hughes reopens the case

hould the courts be able to sanction obstetric interventions against the will of the woman involved? The High Court declaration on October 12. obliging a woman to submit to a caesarean section has shown for the first time in the UK that a woman in childbirth can lie helplessly in a hospital bed while lawyers representing her hospital ask a court for a declaration overriding her express refusal to have an operation.

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Judges like "authoritative" cases, by which they can claim precedence for their decisions. Most are loath to decide something completely new. Thus, an American case was gratefully seized on. Sir Stephen Brown, the judge in Re S, the British case, said the American authority, Re AC, suggested that "if this case were being heard in the American courts the answer would be likely to be in favour of granting a declaration in these circumstances"

But would it? The case of "AC" achieved notoriety in the United States. However, years after both mother and baby had died following a cour-ordered caesarean, the District of Columbia appeals court overturned the original deci-sion. It issued a wide-ranging judgment, under which it is highly unlikely that the court would have granted a declaration in the circumstances of the London case.

"AC" was Angela Carder, aged 27, who on June 9, 1987, when 25 weeks pregnant, was found to have an inoperable lung nimour. She was taken to hospital on June 11 and diagnosed four days later as terminally ill and perhaps able to survive for two weeks. But by June 16, she was

near death and on a ventilator. That morning a judge held court at the George Washington University Hospital, where the hospital authorities asked for a declaration that she be given a caesarean despite the absence of her consent. Evidence was heard that a 26week foems had an 80 per cent chance of survival and that Ms Carder would probably die within 24 hours. Her own doctors and her family were

opposed to the operation. She was not completely incapacitated, and doctors relayed the court's decisions to her. She responded by mouthing: "I don't want it done. I don't want it done." However, the court found that in the circumstances her intent was not clear. The operation went ahead and both she and the baby died, sooner than had

nature taken its course. In April 1990 the District of Columbia appeals court reviewed the events and the later written judgment given by the lower court. The appeals court found that the decision was



Your life in a judge's hands: the decision that a woman should have a caesarean followed an uncertain precedent

one that should be taken by ing triplets, who was taken to hospital in Chicago during the the patient, unless she was mentally incapable or otherfinal stages of her pregnancy. wise unable to give consent.

The court said: "We hold that in virtually all cases the question of what is to be done repeatedly said she was unwilling to have a caesarean.
The hospital obtained a

court order once she had gone is to be decided by the patient on behalf of herself and the into labour. When both parents were informed of the foetus." The trial court had not decision they objected strenudetermined whether she was ously. The woman was put in able or competent to give conleather restraints and her hussent before it entered on the band ejected from the hospital. ing the preservation of life. hese are not odd, off-The judge, sitting at the hosthe wall cases. In a Dital should have gone to Ms

country that will not Carder's bedside and done force a potential bone more to discover her-wishes, marrow donor to allow the the appeals court said.
In the London case, Re S, extraction of marrow to save the life of a living, sentient, the woman had expressly reintelligent person, the courts fused consent. No declaration seem ready to imprison or would have been given if Re operate on pregnant women AC had actually been folin the interests of a foetus. In lowed. Nevertheless, if Re S practical terms, the American were heard in a great many experience is not an encourag-American courts, as this is state and not federal law, a is it any use saying that the law in the US is different, that court-ordered caesarean is a distinct possibility. It was part-

A Nigerian woman expect- mal procedural standards

there has been no real establly because of the lack of ishment in the UK of the right reasoned guidance in the of personhood for foetuses, growing number of cases that that the decision in Re S seemed to be going through on the nod that the appeals seems, but is not stated, to apply only to pregnancies at full term, that in the UK, un-In the US a high proportion like in the US, abortion and of births are caesarean deliverother reproductive rights are - a product of defensive not threatened by this decision medicine, high technology or similar ones? Not really. and interventionist philoso-Procedural deficiencies, posphy. Some hospitals have a sibly the most unjust part of policy of insisting on surgery the process, seem to be the same in the UK. This haste in certain circumstances multiple births, for instance. and lack of regard for the nor-

were cited by the American appeals court as a cogent argument against such overriding of a woman's objections.

In the "emergency" of labour, doctors' claims are apt to go unchallenged. The woman concerned is also virtually excluded from the court, and this is a natural consequence. according to a leading barris-ter, of the lack of time for her to instruct or even obtain representatives. So, even though the hospital and the Official Solicitor were able to get legal representation, the woman herself could not.

There is a lopsidedness in the distribution of power allowed when the legal system should normally endeavour to redress imbalance between the parties. There are many other instances in which courts have to make quick decisions, but protections have been built in to prevent abuses.

The Americans have come to appreciate that rushed and coercive uses of legal procedure have wide implications. A study of court-ordered obstetric interventions in the late 1980s found that most of the women were from ethnic minorities, almost half were unmarried and a quarter did not speak English as their first language. One in five orders was obtained within an hour, sometimes by telephone.

In its long judgment, the appeals court repeated the cogently stated" argument of the American Public Health Association that, instead of

An independent voice for righting wrongs

THE Royal Commission on Criminal Justice has already received much evidence that the responsibility for examining alleged miscar-riages of justice should be removed from the home secretary and given to an independent nome secretary and given to an independent review body. The case will be strengthened by the Law Society which today gives oral evidence. The review body would comprise both lawyers and lay persons, and should, as recommended by the Law Society, employ rapporteurs to oversee the reinvestigation of annuminate cases. Its rule would then be to appropriate cases. Its role would then be to consider whether there were new factors and report its findings to the Court of Appeal.

This arrangement, however, would involve the review body only in cases that had failed to be resolved by all other stages in the process. The commission will be just as keen to ensure that, through its recommenda-tions, the number of such cases is reduced.

What about procedures before trial? The commission has received much research evidence questioning the quality of advice given on behalf of many legal firms, much of it by unqualified staff, inadequately trained and supervised. Meanwhile, the public spending crisis is forcing the govern-ment to introduce payment methods for criminal defence work that may drive away experienced practitioners and may deprive some rural areas of defence services. These developments have a

potential to cause routine miscarriages of justice that could fundamentally undermine the commission's work. An independent, permanent criminal

justice review body with a much broader remit than tackling alleged miscarriages of justice is needed. Such a body must be one of the commission's main recommendations if some existing defects are to be rectified. The best route to the acquittal of the

innocent and the conviction of the guilty is by an adversarial system in which both prosecution and deferice work effectively and with the necessary resources. Each would be funded principally by public funds and such funds would have to be properly distributed to achieve the essential "equality of arms". Many miscarriages have resulted from

difficulties with experts, particularly in respect of forensic science evidence. Material has not been fully disclosed and the defence has had insufficient knowledge or facilities to test the strength of the evidence. The commission will try to ensure that standards are clearly defined and a range of suitable

expertise made available to the defence. A expertise made available to the defence. A criminal justice review body could prescribe and enforce appropriate standards and maintain a central register. It would be able to review the skills available and report to Parliament. It is to be hoped that in future expert witnesses will contract directly with the Legal Aid Board as to the appropriate level of fees and to ensure prompt navment. The fees and to ensure prompt payment. The body would need a research facility to ensure that the government could not so reduce those rates as to undermine the availability of

A criminal justice review body must work with the Law Society and the Legal Aid Board to set standards for delivering criminal defence services. These would need to ensure the involvement of specialist solicitors, appropriate training and supervision of unqualified staff. They would need to

ensure rigorous preparation and set time standards for all stages, from attendance at the police station to delivering papers to the trial advocate. The Legal Aid Board's franchising scheme represents a move in this direction. How-ever, the board cannot be sufficiently independent of government to be given total

responsibility.

The review body would go further than setting standards.

With the clear objective of avoiding future miscarriages of justice it must have responsibility to advise on the provision of advice and representation generally. This would not inevfiably, or throughout the country, be tied to solicitors in

private practice. Each alternative would need to be costed and assessed. Professional independence, an acceptable standard of service and accessibility would be essential.

To undertake each of these roles the body would need a research facility so that its information and advice could be based on proper factual analysis. In this way the temporary advantage of research evidence for the commission could be desalored. for the commission could be developed.

The quality of defence criminal work would thus be the subject of professional research and independently costed. The government would not be bound to accept recommendations but, if it failed to do so, it would have to explain how it intended to maintain the essential balance. A perma-nent body with this wider remit is essential to prevent continual miscarriages of justice. The author, a solicitor, is secretary of the London

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Blowing the whistle

ONE of the most irreverent, funny and perceptive books about the legal profession has just been published.
The Official Lawyer's

Handbook by Daniel R. White and Philip R. Jenks (Harriman House, £7.99), tells embryo lawyers how big City firms can "stimulate a serious lust for lucre in the corruptible heart of the typical law student" and reports on "legal ethics (and other great oxymorons)". In its own words, the book "offers suffcient training in the art of hair-splitting and issue-obfuscation to enable you to alienate complete strangers in the space of just minutes — a skill that some lawyers don't acquire for weeks".

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The book is right up to date, pointing out that the recession has hit the legal profession and "the demand for new articled clerks, who know fresh air about anything useful, has plummeted".

On vacation clerks or summer placements, it observes that "summer placements are not unlike teenage black-tie balls, where you dress like an adult, drink like an adult, and try to get your end away like an adult - only to realise later that it is about as close to real life as Eddie the Eagle is to an Olympic gold medal". Many big City firms are

bound to rush out for a copy. But how many will leave the book on the client waiting room table open at the two pages devoted to "what the time sheet says" and "what the time sheet should say"; or the page evaluating the aptitude of those considering entering the profession? Those with the highest points are "compulsive, calculating, avaricious, sexually repressed, and no doubt already too blind to go out without a

court held the review.

China coup

dog".

LOVELL White Durrant, the City law firm that set up in China in 1986, has become one of only five overseas firms, and the only one from the UK, to win a licence to practise in Peking under new rules brought in by the Chinese government.

Long distance

GORDON Dadds, the West End firm best known for its divorce work, disputes Clyde & Co's claim to be the first firm to use live video links in the High Court for the taking of evidence. Hugh Elder, one of the firm's partners, writes with details of a case in which he took part in the summer, during which two Los Angeles attorneys gave evidence via satellite from California.

The precedent for leave being granted for evidence to be called in this way was given by the High Court as long ago as June 1991, he says, although he believes it was not made use of until a county court action earlier this year and then his own High Court action in June Unspoken threat

WHAT exactly is the role of the trade and industry depart-ment? Michael Heseltine has no doubt has been asking himself that question recently. The answer might have been found last Thursday at a seminar organised by Cameron Markby Hewitt (CMH), a City Law firm, with Coopers & Lybrand and the CBL The seminar, "The Hidden Threat", dealt with the legal

issues of misuse of computer data. The main address came from a department official, whose hard task was to explain the department's role in handling all this threatening behaviour. "It had been suggested", says Tony Reiss, CMH's marketing manager, "that Mr Heseltine himself might make the speech, but somehow it didn't come off."

Double talk

The Law Society was chuffed to announce last week progress over the vexed issue of advocacy rights for solici-tors in the higher courts. Negotiations with the committee under Lord Griffiths. set up to sort out who takes which cases in what courts, have made some headway. It now looks as if solicitors employed in government, industry and commerce, will be able to exercise wider rights of andience alongside their private practice colleagues.

But the biggest stumbling block - whether crown prosecutor solicitors can also be let in — still remains. Mark Sheldon, Law Society president, issued a brave-sounding statement saying that if the CPS solicitors were kept out. the "whole rights of audience process" would be brought to a "juddering halt". Later. though, he confessed that the society would probably move forward without the crown prosecutors if it came to the

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both marine and non-marine

risks, result in duplication of

litigation in the event that the

parties should agree to a specific

jurisdiction for the marine risks

would not be concentrated in one

But it was open to the parties to

remedy any such disadvantage by entering into an agreement after

the dispute had arisen under

article [2(1), where there was no

limitation as to the subject matter

Mr Jacobs' alternative sub-

should be given a wide construc-tion which would embrace any

type of risk or interest with any connection whatsoever with the

marine risks, subject only to a de

minimis exception if the marine

risks was only an insignificant item

Mr Swainston submitted that, in

in a policy otherwise covering non-

and for the same reason as he

article 12A(4) had to be given a

that enumerted risks had to be

ancillary to or accessory to the

marine risks. His Lordship found Mr

Swainston's interpretation more consistent with the scheme of

section 3 as a whole, for the

reasons he gave. He therefore

upheld the narrower construction

and interpreted "connected" as

narrow construction on the b

of the risks.

with the result that the litiga

Narrow interpretation of articles

WOC Offshore BY Before Mr Justice Hirst

Dudgment July 314 Articles 12(5) and 12A(4) of section 3 of the Brussels Convention on Jurisdiction and Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and porated into English law by the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments garrowly and literally so that an insurance policy which covered could not be subject to an agree-ment on jurisdiction under article

Mr Justice Hirst so held in the Commercial Court of the Queen's Bench Division in determining a preliminar, issue in favour of the and making an order under Order 12, rule 8 of the Rules of the Supreme Court that a writ issued by the plainuffs, John Robert Charman and Mark E. Brockbank, saing on their own behalf and on behalf of other members of Lloyd's ardicates, seekentitled to avoid contracts of set aside and that all further

proceedings be stayed as the plaintiffs were debarred from innering proceedings in England. Article 12 of section 3 of the Convention provides: "The provisions of this section may be departed from only by an agreement on jurisdiction: ... (5) which relates to a contract of insurance in following are risks referred to in article 12(5): (1) Any loss of or damage to (a) sea-going ships, installations situated offshore or on the high seas ... arising from perils which relate to their use for commercial purposes ... (4) Any risk or interest connected with any

plaintiffs; Mr Michael Swainston for the defendants.

MR JUSTICE HIRST said that there were two issues on the construction of the Convention: I Whether, as the defendants submitted, article (2(5) and in particular the crucial words "in so literally as synonymous with "to submitted, as equivalent to "if" or

2 Whether article 12A(4), and in particular the words "connected with" were, as the defendants samonamous with "anciliary to" or. as the plaintiff, submitted as having a wide interpretation so in any way associated with a marine risk would fall within its

Mr Jacobs submitted that it would be wrong to give article 12(5) a narrow and over-literal interpretation. The crucial considnove of that part of the Convention risks which did not require social

With that policy in mind, the court should first examine the

one or more of the marine risks specified in article 12A(I) to (3), and if it did, should then treat the whole policy, including all other risks covered, as within the scope of

Any other construction would result in proceedings on the same policy being divided between two different jurisdictions. Mr Swainston submitted that the words "in so far as" were clear and precise, and that Mr Jacobs construction involved rewriting article (2(5) and substituting dif-

It followed that a jurisdiction agreement under article 12(5) had to be limited to marine risks of the type described in article 12A and that any agreement, such as in the instant case, which embraced both marine and non-marine risks was impermissible and contrary to article 12(5).

Moreover, that interpretation was consistent with the purpose of section 3 as a whole, which was to ensure. Subject to the limited exceptions in articles 12 and 12A. sued in his courts of domicile. His Lordship was unable to accept Mr Jacobs' construction which seemed to him to do

violence to the clear words of article Jacobs loomed as large as he submitted it would still not justify so radical a twist to the clear word of article (2(5) In addition, if Mr Jacobs were right in his construc-tion of article 12(5), article 12A(4) would have been otiose.

equivalent to "ancillary" or His Lordship therefore accepted Mr Swainston's construction for Solicitors: Clyde & Co: Richards

Duty to provide school places

Regina v Birmingham City Council. Ex parte Equal Op-

Before Lord Justice Neill. Lord Justice Woolf and Lord Justice Burtler-Sloss [Judgment October 14]

Where there were selective grammar schools and selective places within a local education authority's area, the LEA had to ensure that an equal number of grammar achool places were available for boys and girls, in order to dis-charge its duty under section 8 of the Education Act 1944 without contravening the provisions of section 23 of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975.

In assessing the pool of available places the LEA was required to take account of all the schools in the area and not merely the schools which were maintained by the

The Court of Appeal so stated dismissing an appeal by Birmingham City Council from the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (The Times February 28). Section 8 of the 1944 Act

"(!) It shall be the duty of every local education authority to secure that there shall be available for their area sufficient schools ... (b) for annoiding secondary education. that is to say full time education suitable for the requirements of senior pupils. . . ". Section 23 of the 1975 Act

"(1) It is unlawful for a local education authority, in carrying out such of its functions under the Education Acts 1944 to 1981 as do not fall under section 22, to do any act which constitutes sex discrimination."

Mr Michael Beloff. QC and Mr Richard McManus for the council: Mr Anthony Lester. QC and Mr David Pannick, QC, for the Equal

LORD JUSTICE NEILL. giv ing the judgment of the court, said that the present procedings were a sequel to earlier proceedings between the same parties in which the EOC on October 14, 1987 obtained an order from Mr Justice McCullough that the arrangements made by the council for selective secondary education in its area were unlawful under section 23 of the 1975 Act when read in conjunction with section 8 of the

That order was unheld by the Court of Appeal and the House of Lords: see R v Birmingham City Council, Ex parte Equal Opportu-

At the time of the 1987 proceedlngs there were eight selective secondary schools maintained by

was a single sex school. Seven were voluntary schools, the remaining one a county school.

Local education authorities had only restricted rights of control over the education policies pursued by voluntary schools where the governing body had a large measure of autonomy. The places available at the several schools at the time of the 1987 proceedings were set out by Lord Goff in his speech (1989) AC 1155. 1190) which showed that at the age of 11 there were only 210 places available.

able for girls whereas there were 390 places available for boys. That disparity had a marked effect on the ability of girls to secure a grammar school education. Thus consistent pattern emerged which showed that in the Birmingham area girls required to obtain a higher test mark to obtain entry to a girls' selective school than did boys to obtain entry to comparable schools.

That disparity of places and its effects on girls who wished that they could be educated at a selective single-sex school attracted the attention of the EOC. Following the decision of the House of Lords in the 1987 proceedings, the council gave consideration to how the decision could be

On November 1989 the EOC wrote to the council criticising it for its failure to comply with the law and with the judgment of the cation officer of the council replied explaining some of the problem with which the council was faced and stating that there were three possible ways forward:

(a) The council could cease to maintain all selective schools which admitted pupils at 11 plus; (b) the council could establish a new selective school for girls only; and (c) the council could sease to ain one or more of the boys

only selective schools admitting 11

At that stage the council preferred (c) and Handsworth Grammar School was selected as the school to be closed. In due course the majority of parents of the boys at Handsworth Grammar School voted to support proposals that the school should seek grant-maintained status. Six months later the Secretary of State for Education and Science formally approved the acquisition of grant-maintained status by Handsworth Grammar

On June 4, 1991 the EOC commenced the present proceed-

The council accepted that it was under an obligation to comply with the 1975 Act and to do so in House of Lords in the 1987

The council submitted that the emhibition in section 23 of the manner in which the council carried our its functions under the Education Acts. Once a school had achieved grant-maintained status: (a) it passed out of the control of the LEA (b) it was no longer main-tained by the LEA and (c) the LEA carried out no functions in relation

Mr Lester drew attention to the words of section 8 and submitted that the section did not impose a duty to provide secondary schools. The duty was to secure that sufficient schools should be available in the area for providing secondary education. It followed therefore in discharg-

ing that "securing function" the council had to have regard to the availability of educational opportunities provided by all the schools within its area, including relevant places in grant-maintained schools and even relevant places in in-

fects of same (20 grammar school places being available at Handsworth Grammar School for bons mercy because the school had changed its status and become a grant-maintained school, Handsworth Grammar School remained a part of the pool for public sector grammar school education

within the council's area. Their Lordships recognised the problems which the 1975 Act posed for the council. However, the count was concerned with the proper interpretation of section 8 of the 1944 Act.

Mr Beloff felt obliged to concede that in considering its obligations under the 1975 Act the council was entitled to take advantage of any places provided in grant-main-tained schools.

The court considered that that concession was rightly made. It served to emphasise however, the force of Mr Lester's submission that in considering the extent of the duty under section 8 of the 1944 Act one looked at all the schools in the area and not merely at the schools which were main-

It seemed to their Lordships that in considering whether sufficient schools were available, the LEA had to take account only of places which were available free.

The relevant pool was the pool of free places in single-sex schools providing a grammar school education. That pool might include assisted places at independent schools, but in the court's judgment, it certainly included gramaintained schools.

The duty of securing that sufficient schools were available for providing secondary education of a suitable kind was a different duty from a duty to provide such

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Motivation is fact for judge not witness

Larby v Thurgood Before Mr Justice May

Dudement August 111 in an action for damages for personal injury, conclusions as to a plaintiff's motivation and willingness to seek better paid employdecided by the judge rather than matters for expert evidence from na employment consultant.

Mr Justice May so held in the Ducen's Berch Division, refusing an application by the defendant Albert Thurgood, that the action for personal injury of the plaintiff. Perer Larby, be stayed unless he agreed to submit to an interview with the defendant's employment

Mr Robert Glancy for the plaintiff: Mr Steven Kovats for the

MR JUSTICE MAY said that

the defendant admitted liability for

that the plainfiff could obtain better paid employment.

The defendant wished the employment consultant to assess the plaintiff as a person, to be able motivation, demeanour, appear ance and experience so far as they were relevant to the job market.

The defendant argued that there was no relevant distinction be rween an employment consultant and a medical consultant and that it was in the interests of justice that there should be an interview.

The plaintiff argued that a personal interview was not nec essan, in the interests of justice and that such a practice was pernicious and needed to be stopped because it resulted from a confusion of the roles of an expert witness and the udge and there was a danger of the plaintiff being cross-examined without the safeguards of that happening in court.

plaintiff could reasonably obtain better paid employment than his

That would no doubt turn, first, on his present and future medical. and perhaps psychological, state, including his ability to undertake certain forms of employment. That was a matter for expert

medical evidence. It would turn, second, on the present and, so far as it could be predicted, future state of the job market in the area in which the plaintiff lived or might reasonably be expected to live. Those were questions of fact.

it might be convenient for those facts to be established by the employment consultant, if he knew about the job market in the area, but he did not need an interview with the plaintiff for that purpose. The issue might be affected by the plaintiff's general suitability for and motivation to seek and, if he was offered it, undertake better paid employment.

Those were, in his Lordship's

determined by the judge. The judge would not be helped by expert opinion because it depended on an assessment of the credibility and perhaps truthful-ness of the plaintiff as a witness

upon matters of ordinary Evidence from an employment consultant that he had interviewed the plaintiff and found, for instance, that he lacked motivation

An interview would tend to make the trial longer and more expensive by burdening the court with inadmissible material under the guise of expert opinion. Solicitors: Brian Thompson &

Special procedure material

Regina v Preston Crown Court, Ex parte McGrath Before Lord Justice Mann and Mr Justice Leonard

Judgment October 131 Where a police officer applied to a circuit judge under section 9(1) of and Schedule 1 to the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, to obtain access to special procedure material as defined in the section. and the material the subject of the application was mixed in that it consisted of special procedure material and other material, all of the material could be the subject of a special procedure order under

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when dismissing the application of Frank McGrath for orders of Judge Lever, QC, made on May 12 at Presion Crown Court pursuant to paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the 1984 Act in respect of material at the applicant's home premises.

Mr Michael Supperstone, QC and Mr Daniel Janner for Mr McGratte Mr Microsol Shorrock. QC and Mr Geoffrey Tattersell. QC, for the prosecution.

LORD JUSTICE MANN said that the reference in paragraph 2(a)(ii) of Schedule 1 to "material which consists of special procedure material or includes special procedure material" was a reference to material which had the legal quality of special procedure ma-serial either as to its entirety or as to

special procedure order could re-late only to material shown to be material inseparable from it, and would be to achieve a situation unintended by Parliament. namely the requirement of sepa-rate and necessarily sequential applications under Schedule 1 and section 8 (application to a justice of the peace). That would be cumbersome and would endanger the integrity of the material which was to be the subject of the section 8

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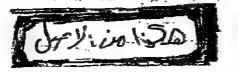
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John Appleby explains Law Society doubts about contracting out legal aid

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of the Legal Aid Board, last week explained his vision of the future for legal aid. It is based on the board entering into contracts with lawyers who can deliver a contract of contracts. service of assured quality.

Under the scheme, known as franchising, lawyers con-cerned would have the benefit of preferential payment terms and delegated powers in return for meeting specified quality cotteria in different areas of legal aid work.

Certainly, it is vital to improve the terms on which solicfors do legal aid work. The Law Society has been pressing for improvements for many years, but payment for legal aid work remains too slow, even though private dients are " " usually expected to pay as they go. That is not entirely the board's fault because the regulations under which it must operate are the Lord Chancellor's responsibility. But if improvements are not made soon, legally aided cli-ents will find fewer competent. experienced solicitors available to deal with their case.

mined to help solicitors to provide high-quality services to

identify solicitors who speci-alise. That is why we have developed good-practice guides for criminal and civil linga-tion, and for advising suspects at police stations.

So our commitment to quality is clear. We supported the West Midlands franchising experiment and I hope we experiment and a nope we shall be able to support the board's new proposals for extending franchising throughout the country. But we have not yet seen the full details. We shall have to be satisfied on several matters, as

• Legal aid chemts must remain free to instruct the solioitor of their choice whether or not he or she has a franchise. • Franchises must be available to all firms that meet the quality criteria. Small firms, including sole practitioners, must not be discriminated against. Nor must there be any limitation on the number of firms that can obtain a franchise in any area.

• There must be additional rewards for franchise holders in recognition of the commitment they will have to make in preparing their firms to apply for a franchise. Prompt pay-



ment for legal aid work is vital. firms providing a guaranteed high-quality service should be entitled to higher levels of payment as well.

The criteria used to decide whether firms qualify for fran-chises must themselves be justifiable. That seems obvious, but is in fact quite com-plex. For example, the board proposes detailed management requirements for firms seeking a franchise, such as a formal system for appraising staff and establishing a marketing strategy. We must be sure such requirements are genuinely necessary to ensure

good service to clients.

Is it really impossible for solicitors to do good work for clients unless they have a marketing strategy? A better approach may well be for the

work already done - and which Mr Pitts acknowledges - into a management code for board and other bulk buyers of services to use that, rather than seek to set their own criteria from scratch.

he board also intends to take into account the average cost of the work done by applicants for franchises. The board fears that solicitors with higher than average bills may be inefficient.

However, it is at least as likely that these solicitors are providing a thorough and well-prepared service to their clients or that the mix of cases they deal with is more complex than those of their colleagues whose bills are lower. Every legal aid bill is paid

only to the extent that it represents work reasonably done - and it is not the solicitor who decides whether work was reasonably done, it is the court or the board.

I do not want to sound unduly negative. Mr Pius said the board was convinced its proposals "will lead to a partnership approach with those who deliver legally aided ser-vices that will not only benefit them and us but, most importantiy, the legally aided client and the taxpayer".

We, too, believe that franchising, properly implement-ed, can achieve that. It will be the Law Society's task, working with the board and the Lord Chancellor's Department, to ensure that it does.

The author is the chairman of the Law Society's courts and lega-

ne of the big questions for solicitors is whether initial professional qualification should be basic and cheap, after which the real skills come through spe-

cialist qualifications. The Law Society has ordered a survey to find out what financial services skills solicitors need. This is because the Securities and Investments Board wants a higher standard of financial advice. It is clear where this is leading. Solicitors giving fi-nancial advice will have to have additional qualifications besides investment business certificates. Many will find this irritating as they see the abysmal advice given by competitors in financial services. Most advice is given by tied

agents of one company who have only superficial training. Why, then, was there not derision from the society at the SIB suggestion that solici-tors need more qualifications? The society goes on the defensive when somebody points out that many solicitors are ignorant about specialised areas. Other branches of the profession have more selfconfidence. The Bar professes to be a corps of specialists without having formal spe-cialist qualifications.

The reason why the society is so posillanimous is the escalating cost of training solicitors. The fall in the real value of student grants for degree courses and the nonavailability of grants for the finals course combine to make it difficult for anybody from a modest background to qualify as a solicitor.

Before the recession solicitors' firms paid for students to attend the finals course. Although a survey by Legal Business showed that partners in the top eight London firms have profit shares aver-

Steer clear of closed

shops aging more than £315,000 each, the government's New Earnings Survey put average male solicitors' earnings at £32,427. Women solicitors are worse off with a £23,883 average. Most solicitors, therefore, cannot finance a potential employee through

The problem over the cost of training has been appreciated for some time by the society, which has tried to keep the profession open to those of ability regardless of means. The society proposes to change the finals to reduce the law content and to concentrate on skills. The new course could be combined with a law degree, making a further year at a separate institution unnecessary.

Caught between the re-

quirements of high standards and cheapness of training, the society is ill able to resist those who demand specialist qualifications. Many of the demands come from those in large firms who would benefit most from certain categories of work being confined to them. Their justification is that generalist solicitors try to do specialist work and harm their clients. This may be true in isolated cases but solicitors already have a professional duty not to take on work outside their competence. It is up to the Law Society to enforce this duty.

There is to be a specialist Personal Injuries Panel to add to the Child Care Panel. Lee Bridges, in research for the Legal Action Group, has said firms outside an inner group of 300 may carry out criminal legal aid work badly because they do not do enough of it. There is talk of limiting legal aid work to firms that can afford to have a BSI kitemark.

, These developments should be resisted. They will drive small firms to merge with big-ger ones, forcing up fees. Partners in London firms are now charging on average £344 an hour. A solicitor on average earnings is unlikely to charge more than £100 an hour. The mostly specialist City solicitors have been able to raise their rates by 20 per cent in the past year. Their generalist brethren have had no such

Mergers between firms re-duce the public's points of access to the law. Furthermore, specialist panels will inevitably lead to restrictive practices as specialists call for the exclusive right to carry out certain kinds of work.

Adam Smith observed: People of the same trade seldom meet together but the conversation ends in a conspiracy against the public, or in some diversion to raise prices", and this applies

equally to the professions. Left to its own devices the legal profession is capable of devising restrictive practices that would be the envy of any print union. This is not in the public interest. Neither is the rush to specialisation.

PATRICK STEVENS The author is a practising

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LOBBYING - or marshalling arguments to present to Brussels is increasingly important, particu-

larly in matters of competition, intellectual property and informa-tion technology. Politicians have distilled the complex arguments into a simple conflict between democracy and buteaucracy. Most lawyers with knowledge of the European Commission, however, say the officials are keener to

consult than to pontificate.

European officials are constantly engaged in an exchange of views with lawyers and special interest groups - what Philip Wolfson, who runs Theodore God-

Firms in the front line to influence Europe

The presentation of legal and political arguments to Brussels is a growth activity for lawyers

dard's Brussels office, described-last week as "the essential protection against the democratic deficit" within the EC. In other words, European officials accessibility helps to remedy shortcomings in

European institutions. Cleary Gottlieb, the American law firm, has one of the best reputations for this in Brussels.

Also strongly rated is Baker & McKenzie, the international law firm with strong American and EC connections. The firm first attracted notice in this area in the mid 1980s when, acting for the UK news industry, it helped to stop a proposal to put VAT on newspapers. Again this month it won the light to stop a levy on audio-tapes.

"The trouble with some of these issues is that they are never finallyresolved," says Michael Hart, a partner and intellectual property specialist, who helped to master-

mind this campaign.

Being vigilant in the fight against the levy is what Mr Hart and his colleagues are paid to do.

Working alongside Westminster

Strategy, the public affairs lobbyist, they have regular meetings with their clients in the "home taping rights campaign" to plan

the next stage in the action.

Although Westminster Strategy co-ordinates the campaign, Mr Hart provides the analysis and critique that give it legal muscle. The technicality of whether the

proposed levy is really a tax, for example, has occupied hours of debate. However, unlike a normal translation or negotiation, this kind of Euro exercise operates on several levels, political and social

as well as legal.
The clients "relationships" can be more complex too. The home taping rights campaign, for exam-

ple, is a rainbow alliance of a range of interests, from the audiotape manufacturers through to the Consumers' Association, the Royal National Institute for the Blind and the National Union of Teachers, every one of which has its own motives. Mr Hart needs, therefore, to operate antennae extending beyond the legal horizon.

"A lot of lawyers can provide the legal arguments," says Nick DeLuca of Westminster Strategy. What Baker & McKenzie have done is show that they understand the political nuances as well".

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The Older Candidate

Most vacancies in private practice are for solicitors two to three years

qualified. For obvious reasons— training, flexibility, existing hier-archies, and salary expectations—it

will always be the younger candid-ates who are in greatest demand. In industry there is less of a youth

bies. True, the most popular age group is from 27 to 35. On the other

band, we have placed several candidates recently aged 45, 46, 49, and 56 years. Many legal departments are divisionalised or have only one

the divisionalised or have only one lawyer and can recruit lawyers of any age without worrying about hierarchies. Moreover, long exposure to the commercial/industrial environment is highly valued.

Placing the older candidate in private practice depends very much

Client connections are the key which opens doors of all kinds in

today's market. A 55 year old solic

iter, for instance, who had spent his entire career with a large City firm, was able to join a medium-sized

Holbom firm on a consultancy strangement (with flexible hours to suit) because he had one client he would continue to act for (at lower

charge-out rates). Another candidate in similar circumstances chose

to move to a firm in the provinces and was also able to negotiate

convenient working arrangements.
Older candidates without follow-

ings can still find jobs in private practice in special cases. Our Manchester office, for example, has

vacancies for senior property lawyers with sufficient experience to service clients demanding an

met increase torn-around of work. (Clients are demanding this, it

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Doubts over tour recede as ANC declares support

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN JOHANNESBURG

AS THE Indian team arrived here yesterday to a rapturous airport welcome from hundreds of local Asians, South African officials were thankful for renewed assurances that the tour had the blessing of the African National Congress

Over the weekend, the powerful National Olympic Sports Council (NOSC), the ANC's sporting arm, left the country stunned by announcing that it was withdrawing support for all international rugby union tours at home and abroad.

The matter was not raised at the airport press conference held by the cricket authorities for the Indians, but Mhuleki George, the NOSC president. was among numerous leading ANC officers present.

He said afterwards: "Cricket has been assured that this Indian tour is in no danger. The United Cricket Board of South Africa [UCBSA] has honoured its every word and

haunted him since his defeat

in the final of the world

championship in May by cap-

turing the Rothmans grand

prix title at the Hexagon,

of his 18-14 defeat at Sheffield

by Stephen Hendry, after he

had led 14-8, White went

through a summer close sea-

son indifferent to the game in

general and to practice, in

particular. But after a 5-1

trouncing by Willie Thorne at

the Dubai Classic three weeks

ago. White predicted that a

regime of intensive practice would rid him of a "cold, alien

On Sunday. White's cue

action and concentration held

firm under the severest exami-

nation as he beat Ken

THIS week's coupon is a

minefield with so few of the 58

matches appearing clear-cut.

Even in a particularly tricky

week, however, there are still

some useful pointers.

Ipswich Town, of the Pre-

mier League, have become the

punters' friend, drawing eight of their 13 fixtures. Another

deadlock is likely on Saturday

when they visit Nottingham

Forest, the bottom club but

improving.

Newcastle United's magnif-

icent winning run was ended

by Grimsby Town. Be pre-

pared for another sequence of

theirs to be broken when they

are away to Leicester City, who

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feeling at the table".

Tormented by the memory

Reading, on Sunday.

Warm reception: Mohammad Azharuddin, the In-

dia captain, is greeted at Johannesburg airport

promise from the beginning. Unlike rugby they have intro-duced development schemes among all races all over the country.

Among George's com-plaints about rugby was that the game still used apartheid symbols, such as Springbok badges. The UCBSA's name and "Friendship Tour" logo are all that will appear on South African cricket blazers and equipment

Though the NOSC's weekend announcement, made at its annual conference, was not openly discussed as the touring team arrived, it was very much on everybody's minds. It has brought a reminder that sport and politics remain more closely linked in this country than most. It still did not, however, spoil the obvious delight among both South African and Indian cricketers and officials that the first Test tour to the republic by a nonwhite country was under way.

SNOOKER

White benefits from practice

By PHIL YATES

JIMMY White exorcised the Doherty, of Ireland, 10-9 in a but now it's gone and

collect the largest first prize of

White said. "It's taken almost

six months to push the world

championship from my brain.

White: pressure off

seem a side for the big

occasion. Newcastle have not drawn for 20 matches but they

Sunderland are having a

thin time and it is hard to see

them improving on a home draw against Notts County.

Swansea City, the new sec-ond-division leaders, have the

away form to dent the proud

home record of the team they replaced. Leyton Orient, by forcing a draw at Brisbane

Road. The rapid progress of

Doncaster Rovers has been

one of the talking points in the

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third division and they are playing well enough to draw at Walsall.

can do so at Filbert Street.

TEROOLS FORECASTE

borough (Friday), Wolves Derby SECOND DIVISION

the season so far, £80,000. "This gets Sheffield out of my mind once and for all,"

Krish Mackerdhuj, a fourth generation Indian, who in July became the UCBSA president, was clearly moved as he welcomed the Indians. Three years ago he was a leading figure in opposition to the rebel tour led by Mike Gatting. He told the Indians: "We have no doubt that this first series between our coun-tries will be played in the best spirit of the game. We hope that when the tour is completed the Indian team will take back very happy memories of

our people and our country."
Dr Ali Bacher, the UCBSA managing director, said South Africa was passing through troubled and turbulent times. We sincerely believe that the presence of this Indian team will help unite the people of this country of all races and that friendships will be cemented," he said. Amrit Mathur, the India

tour manager, said the players were delighted to be in South Africa on such an historic occasion, and he thanked the UCBSA and the ANC for making it possible.

The Indian players were garlanded on the tarmac and later besieged by autographhunters who gatecrashed the official welcome. Today, Nelson Mandela, the ANC presireception to the Indians after they have practised. Their programme starts on Thursday with a one-day game against N. Oppenheimer's XI. New Zealand were 43 for no wicket in reply to Zimbabwe B's first-innings total of 246 for eight declared at the close of the first day of their three-day match in Harare



Back in the swim: Hardcastle returned to training last month, after six years away from the pool environment

Hardcastle hitting comeback trail

BY CHAIC LORD

THE contrast between the neturn to competition of Sarah Hardcastle, Britain's most successful woman swimmer since the 1960s, and that of Astrid Strauss, her rival from the former East Germany,

could hardly be more stark.
While the British and Commonwealth distance freestyle record-holder, out of the water for six years until last month, has passed her first test without fuss at a county competition in Essex, the German's reappearance promises to turn many more heads.

Strauss, 23, has been in-

ming Federation (DSV), which banned her for six the terms of the ban and drop her appeal against it. Fina, swimming's world months in May after tests governing body, increased its ban for first offenders from 18 found her levels of testosterone to be more than double months to two years in July at the Barcelona Olympics. those normally found in a man, to spend a bibulous evening with them. The reason is not celebratory, but to try to disprove Strauss's claim. made in court while fighting

she had drunk large quantities of beer before the tests. The German federation is likely to anger anti-drugs campaigners if it proceeds with plans to allow Strauss to compete again after Decem-

the ban, that high levels of the hormone developed because

However, Juergen Medla, However, Juergen Media, the DSV's drugs expert, said the federation planned to take advantage of its legal right not to report the case to Fina, therefore avoiding a longer ban. Strauss, a world champion.

on over 800 metres freestyle in 1986, had not yet accepted the DSV's offer.

Professor Malcolm Cameron, head of Fina's medical commission, said that the man's land". There had been no court case, he said, to prove whether Fina had the right to intervene to impose a harsher

Meanwhile, Hardcastle, 21, who was Strauss's closest rival in the mid-Eighties, is setting her sights on the 1994 Commonwealth Games. Though race rusty, she won Essex county titles at 100, 200 and 800 metres freestyle in respectable times last week, and on Friday leaves her job to concentrate on swimming. As such, she is seeking a

sponsor. That could, much like Strauss's night out with the DSV, be crucial to whethBASKETBALL

Tresvant missed as Giants topple

By NICHOLAS HARLING

THE surprising decision by Manchester Giants to part with John Tresvant, their prolific marksman, has paid no immediate dividends. Giants went down 37-67 at Thames Valley Tigers, who, with the help of 30 points from Nigel Lloyd, remained the only undefeated squad in the first division of the Carlsberg

League. Rick Lloyd, the American replacement for the 6ft 8in Tresvant, collected to points but Giants lacked the rebounding power that Tresvant gave them. "It was a case of looking for team balance." Jeff Jones, the Giants coach, said, "I knew pretty well what Tresvant could give us but we didn't have anyone to score from the perimeter."

Phil Hutcheson, the American who survived the Jones purge, hit 31 points but, from a 20-19 deficit after eight minutes, Giants were always

struggling.
Rick Lloyd, a product of Brown University in New Jersey, was impressed with his first league opponents.

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"They're a tough team and very athletic," he said. Like Nigel Lloyd, Kevin St Kitts (2.3 points) excelled against his former club and Jones was left to wonder about Tresvant. "I'm sure he'll come back to haunt me some day, he said. "Most of them do."

Colin Irish scored 30 points to belp Worthing Bears remain in second place. Irish who has withdrawn from the England team to play Russia in Manchester on November 11, came good after Worthing had trailed 33-32 at the inter-val to Birmingham Bullets. who they beat 69-54.

Despite sinking only 11 points for Bullets, Tony Simms has been added to the England squad as one of the replacements for Irish, Mile Obaseki and Mike Landell. who have also dropped out.

After three successive defeats, Guildford Kings, Worthing's visitors in the league next Saturday, warmed up for their European Cup tie in Riga tonight with two com-fortable victories — 129-64 over Cheshire Jets and 82-67

PESSLUTS: Carisberg League: Men: Prat division: Guildiord 129, Cheshare 64, Hernal Hempslead 79, Derby 39: Olchem 72, London 87; Thrases Yeafey 87, Manchaster 67; Worthing 68, Simninghem 54



Second division: Bury 69, Cardiff 80; Coverity 70, Ware 79; Lewshem 57; Donosaler 114: Middlestanugh 99, Crystell Palace 97; Plymouth 87, Barneley 70, Solent 61, Broton 85. Third division: Camberley 70, Shelmidd 74; Liverpool 83, Guildford 72; Mid-Sussex 53, Chiltern 56; Sedgefield 101; Swindon 65, South Landon 70, Stevenage 88. National Cup: Preliminary round: Swindon 78, Streenage 78.

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78, Stevenage 75.
Women: Pirst division: Chesham 48, cowich 45; London Jels 65, London YACA
78; Nottingham 48, Chesham 58; Themes Valley 70, Rhondda 59. Second division: Cambarley 55, Cardill 83; Sundarland 48, Britann 60.

Coutts prevails in match-race thriller

YACHTING

FROM MALCOUM MCKEAG

IN BERMUDA RUSSELL Counts, of New Zealand, beat Paul Cayard, of the United States, three races to two in a thrilling final of the

Omega Gold Cup at Hamilton Harbour, here, on Sunday

Coutts won \$30,000 (about

£19,000) for his victory, the

oldest and richest prize on the

international match-racing

circuit. The final fulfilled the

Humo Belgian Masters which begins in Antwerp tomorrow.
"I'll go there knowing that a burden of pressure has been taken off my shoulders," White said. "There'll be much more freedom in my game as

Doherty, the world No. 21, who was making his debut in

the final of a ranking tourns-

ment, saw White whittle into a

four-frame lead from 5-1, but

the Dubliner confirmed his

status as the most accom-

plished player produced by the

With the restoration of com-

petitive confidence. White

must be favourite for the

Republic of Ireland.

PESULT: Final: J Widle (Engl bt K Doherly (Ire), 10-9. Frame source (White Ire), 67-59, 0-117, 51-69, 12-59, 27-61, 28-88, 130-4, 73-36, 85-38, 48-65, 57-43, 75-0, 4-69, 96-0, 82-0, 0-80, 70-69, 0-117, 80-2.

promise that match-racing can turn yachting into an

exciting spectator sport.
All the elements needed. came nicely together. The yachts, Elegant International One designs, had the handling characteristics required and were closely matched in speed. The best skippers were lured and Hamilton Harbour offered a perfect arena for viewing, its tricky winds and obstacles lending a degree of unpredictability to racing.

A new penalty system per-mitted the offender to choose his own timing for the exonerating turn, adding another layer of tension. There was even a commentary from the water, as well as explanations on infringements.

The final was equal to the occasion. Cayard, sailing with audacity and breathtaking ability, won first, having been roundly trounced at the start. In the second race, Cayard lost the start, incurred two penal-

penalty and then lost the race on his next penalty turn when Courts swept by to win by six feet. The next two were shared, setting up the decider.

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Courts forced Cayard into a premature start, beld off his rival's charge, survived his own spinnaker falling in the water and, in the dying moments of daylight, crossed the line a boat length in front.

REBUILT: R Couts (NZ) bt P Cayerd (US),

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Emtman cuts a dash for Colts

BY ROBERT KIRLEY

the monolithically propor-tioned players in the National Football League were equipped with the sprinting speed of an Icelandic glacier in January, reconsider. Steve Emtman, of the Indianapolis Colts, a 20st 10lb defensive end, intercepted a Dan Marino pass on the last play and zoomed 90 yards for a touchdown on Sunday to ensure a 31-20 upset of the previously undefeated Miami Dolphins. Trailing 24-20 with 17 seconds to play, Marino faced a fourth and goal at the Indianapolis seven-yard line.

He fired a pass towards the

THE STREET WAS A SECOND TO SECOND THE SECOND

IF YOU were convinced that

end zone, but Emitman, the first player chosen in the college draft last spring, made the pick-off and dashed untouched down the sideline. The Colts had taken the lead a minute earlier on a one-vard dive by Jeff George, the quarterback.
The Dolphins, the Dallas

Cowboys and the San Francis-co 49ers lead the league with records of six wins and one defeat. The 49ers did not play on Sunday. Dallas beat the Los Angeles Raiders 28-13 in front of a crowd of 91,505 to stop the Raiders' winning streak at three. Emmitt Smith rushed for 152 yards and

three short touchdowns as Dallas kept their one-game lead in the National Football Conference East division.

The Washington Redskins beat the Minnesota Vikings 15-13 as Chip Lohmiller provided the Super Bowl champions' points with five field goals, including a 52-yarder and a 49-yarder with a minute to play. Lohmiller felt comfort-able in Minneapolis, having played for the University of Minnesota.

The Philadelphia Eagles kept pace with Washington by beating the Phoenix Cardi-nals 7-3 through superior defence. Randall Cumning-ham's 40-yard pass was Philadelphia's only score, but the Eagles recovered three furnbles and intercepted a pass. Despite a series of Philadelphia penalties on a goal-line stand, the Cardinals were unable to score on seven plays

inside the three-yard line. Stan Humphries, a Washington cast-off, passed for a personal-best 349 yards and two touchdowns and scored one himself as the San Diego Chargers heat the Deaver Brences 24-21. Gill Byrd intercepted two passes by John Elway, of the Broncos.

Rod Woodson, of the Pittsburgh. Steelers, returned a punt 80 yards for a touchdown and made an interception in a 27-3 win against the Kannas City Chiefs.

ICE HOCKEY

Fife go top as Nottingham pay penalties

BY A CORRESPONDENT

THREE weeks into the Heineken League premier division campaign, no team remains unbeaten and only one, Billingham Bombers, has yet to taste victory.

Fife Flyers moved to the top of the table with eight points from five games after a 5-4 win over Nottingham Panthers in their only game of the weekend. Despite leading twice, at 2-1

and 3-2, Nottingham found the tally of penalty minutes against them. 33 compared with Frie's four, too great a burden and the home team's two power-play goals, by Iain Robertson and Frank Morris, were a significant factor in

In Edinburgh the following night, Nottingham trailed 3-1 to Murrayfield Racers at the second interval, but the home team was unstoppable in the third period as goals from Palmer, Newberry and Hand carried them a 9-3 win.

After a comfortable 9-1 home victory over Humber-side Seahawks, to which Mike Blaisdell contributed three goals and two assists. Durham Wasps suffered their first league setback the following night at Brackwell Bees.

Coca-Cola Cup Second round, second leg Scunthorpe v Leeds...

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Witton v Gateshead. POSTPONED: Maccles Methyr v Wolsing. B and Q Cup Quarter-final

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RUGBY LEAGUE REGAL TROPHY: Chorley v Sheffleid Eagles (at Horwich FC, 7.45); St Helens v Huddersfield: Wakefield Tringy v Highfield.

OTHER SPORT BCCONG: Vecant WBC international light-middleweight championship: Chris Pyett (Laicester) v Adolfo Caballero (Colombia) (at Granby Halls, Laicester).

SPEEDWAY: Hometire League; First di-vision: King's Lyrin v Cradley Heath (7.30).

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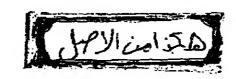
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Tresvant Pips Pride can add to Hannon's fine tally

RICHARD Hannon has an excellent record so far in the Racecall Gold Trophy at

He won the inaugural event in 1989 with Osario before saddling Punch N' Run and Fair Crack to finish third in the two subsequent races.

Now the season's leading trainer is four-handed, represented by Son Pardo, Revelation, Pips Pride and Elle Shaped in today's £100,000 feature on the Cleveland track. My preference is for Pips Pride, the mount of Lanfranco Dettori.

When he won his first two races, at Kempton and Ascot. in the spring, Pips Pride showed that he could handle

soft going.

More recently, he has also shown that he possesses the requisite ability by winning the equally-valuable group one Heinz 57 Stakes over six

furlongs at Leopardstown.

Subsequently, he finished fourth and second in the Mill Reef Stakes and the Middle Park Stakes respectively. The last effort was particu-

larly praiseworthy since he was beaten only a length by the French colt Zieten, who remains undefeated after four

With only 8st 5lb to carry, Pips Pride must have an

THE Ebor winner Quick

Ransom was withdrawn from

the Tattersalls Autumn Sales

yesterday because he has not

been given top billing by the

The horse who has won over

But potential buyers inter-

ested in securing the Mark Johnston-trained five-year-old

for jumping were set for a long

£150,000 in prize-money this

year was due to be sold

Newmarket auctioneers.

tomorrow.

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

produces that form, and he is

my nap. Splendent and Son Pardo are the other runners in today's 26-strong field who have won a group race this season. Splendent landed the Gim-crack Stakes at York in

But prior to that he had finished three-and-a-half lengths behind Pips Pride in Ireland. Since York. Splendent has been bearen in two top-class races in France. Now. the task of conceding 9lb to

wait to bid for lot 876, listed

just 15 horses from the end of

ring until the evening at that

rate, and that's not good

enough for a horse that should

be given top billing." Johnston

Tattersalls they told me the

catalogue was done on the hierarchy of trainers, but it

should be done on the calibre

When I complained to

"He wouldn't come into the

the catalogue.

Since then, Mithl Al Hawa has been beaten by Rain Brother at York, while Vayavaig has come good at Haydock. Exclusively Yours could prove the pick of the Newmar-

September.

Son Pardo's form has rather

tailed off since he collected the

Richmond Stakes at

he too finished behind Pips

Nominator and Star Family

Friend have both won listed races, the former at Newmar-

James Fanshawe, who trained that good filly Chipaya

to win this race two years ago,

is now relying upon Vayavaig and Mith! A! Hawa.

The latter had experience on her side when she finished five

lengths ahead of her stable

companion at Kempton in

ket and the latter at Ripon.

Pride in Ireland.

ket runners. She is expected to run a mighty race with Michael Roberts in the saddle.

Logan's Luck is strongly fancied to win the EBF Maiden Stakes following that eye-catching run at Newmarket

behind Felucca. Finally, Dutosky who beat Ribbi and the subsequent Newmarket winner Abergele at York last time out, is taken Dettori: fancied ride to follow up in the Redcar

Johnston protests over sales pitch

of horse and Ouick Ransom should be given a prime position." Johnston added: "It is a matter of principle. Tattersalls have shown that they don't know the difference between

the Ebor winner and the winner of a seller." After the Ebor, Quick Ransom captured another big prize, the Krug Trophy at Ascot, before finished a credit-

3.00 RACECALL GOLD TROPHY

for Mile

Mile.

the Classic, run on dirt over a

preferred target, and said he would not be making a final decision until tomorrow.

definitely go for the Mile. Arazi has been in great form,"

Monday night with the rest of be released from quarantine to

quote him 3-1 joint favourite with Britain's hope, Selkirk. Ladbrokes cut Rodrigo De

vourite, Pleasant Tap. The French filly Jolypha, who in the absence of St Jovite and Arazi needs one more withdrawal to claim a place in the big-race line-up, is 10-1

Classic, behind the 11-4 fa-

with Arazi

FRANCOIS Boutin settled the Arazi dilemma yesterday and cast his deciding vote in favour of the Breeders' Cup

Goodwood. Like Splendent, The trainer was given the final say after joint-owners, Allen Paulson and Shaikh Mohammed, disagreed over which race their colt should contest at Gulfstream Park, Florida on Saturday. Arazi was entered in both

> mile-and-a-quarter, and the Mile, run on grass.
>
> Boutin had registered Arazi's first preference as the \$3 million Classic, Paulson's

But he confirmed yesterday the colt would compete in the \$1 million Mile. "I spoke to the owners, considered the options and have decided to

Arazi, who won the Prix de Rond-Point at Longchamp earlier this month, arrived safely in the United States on the French contingent. He will

begin his build-up today.
William Hill shortened his
Mile odds to 3-1 favourite
from 7-2, while Ladbrokes Triano to 7-2 from 4-1 for the

from 12-1.

The British team left yesterday morning from Stansted Airport for Miami. It included Paul Cole's Classic entrant, Zoman, who has recovered from the slight injury he sustained when winning the Budweiser International.

Boutin opts | Alternative approaches to winner-finding

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

IS PICKING winners an art or a science? Should the punter rely on feel and intuition, or hard facts and

The conundrum was reinforced recently when two of the best annual racing publications landed on my desk.

Timeform's latest Chasers
and Hurdlers and the less

well known, but equally valuable, Computer Chasing Form, published by Racing Research, are like chalk and The Halifax scholars who

craft the Timeform annuals employ the beauty and breadth of the English language to bring racing alive for the reader. The latest volume maintains the highest tradi-

tions of *Timeform*.

Essays detailing the heroics, excitement and courage of top jumpers, not to

12.50 HOBY MAIDEN STAXES

.20 HOBY MAIDEN STAKES

(Div II: 2-Y-O: £2,070: 1m 8yd) (11)

1.50 PYTCHLEY STAKES

2.20 BARSBY SELLING HANDICAP

(3-Y-0: £2,721: 1m 3f 183yd) (18)

(2-Y-0: £3,028: 71 9yd) (8)

(Div I: 2-Y-0: £2,070: 1m Byd) (12 runners)

THUNDERER

12.50 Debos. 1.20 Pistol River. 1.50 The Informer. 2.20 Dara Mislody. 2.50 Talb, 3.20 Canadian Capers. 3.50 Alnasric Pets. 4.20 No Cornebacks.

12.50 Mountain Willow. 1.20 Sun Of Spring. 1.50 The Informer. 2.20 Marowins. 2.50 Talb. 3.20 Scottish Park. 3.50 Alnasric Peta. 4.20 Jungle Knife.

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

5-1 Debos, 7-2 Moussein William, Doser Patrol, 6-1 Synama, 8-1 Teen Jay, 16-1 One Voice, 20-1 others

2-1 Pistol Biner, 5-2 Sun Of Sprong, 7-1 Dog is The Ribs, 6-1 Trets, 10-1 Olivana, La Delicas, 20-1 others

mention the likes, dislikes a horse's abilities and racing and idiosyncrasies of lesser lights over the sticks, are a joyous winter warmer as the evenings begin to close in. As usual some of the views Research. expressed are forthright. No-

tably, about Carvill's Hill.

An individual assessment of more than 7,000 horses, including distance and going requirements, is combined with a rating signifying the merit of a hurdler or chaser.

A single rating for a horse offers a guide in the search for winners, but only a guide. A punter is in the dark as to whether the rating represents the horse's best performance and whether that was a oneoff or a reflection of consistency. Over what distance and what ground were the best runs achieved? In most cases we don't know.

For a detailed breakdown of

record, stretching back over three seasons, the serious punter must turn to Computer Chasing Form from Racing

John Whitley, who set up Racing Research, is a former Timeform man who helped Phil Bull update the process for calculating time figures. He has developed his ideas and his unique computerhandicapping system pro-duces a goldmine of statistics. The volume is crammed

with line-by-line analysis of races, containing up to 15 different facts and figures. Apart from offering race-by-race form ratings, Whitley also provides time figures for jumpers and performance figures for jockeys — Peter Scudamore and Richard Dun-

woody are not in the top six. While Timeform states the

Champion Hurdle won last season by Royal Gait was a sub-standard one, and Granville Again's Scottish Champion Hurdle success was almost certainly his best run. Whitley's volume offers more precise analysis. The per-formance of Martin Pipe's hurdler at Ayr was a 101b improvement on his best previous run - and a full 161b better than Royal Gait's

Champion show.
All of which brings us back to the original question. The answer is probably a bit of both — plus Lady Luck.

☐ Chasers and Hurdlers
1991/92 (Timeform, Portway Press, Halifax, West York shire HXI IXE) £65. □ Computer Chasing Form (Racing Research, 21 Upper Green Lane, Hove Edge, Brighouse, West Yorkshire HD6 2NZ) £44.

YESTERDAY'S

RESULTS

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2.50 TUGBY STAKES (£2,898. 71 9yd) (10) 1 3420 MERLINS WISH 10 (F) R Hamon 3-9-2. L Piggon 5
2 48-2 PRENOMANISS 17 (6F) D Aronhout 4-9-2. S Continen 10
3 3220 TALE 10 (8.6) J Dunito 3-9-1. W Carson 4
4 0-00 HERDES SARS 34 (8.6) A Moore 7-9-11. Casedy Monris 8
5 40 ULLADULLA 22 R Auchter 3-9-6. T Course 7
6 2600 CORN FUTURES 22 (8.5) J Legn 4-8-6. J Weaver (6) 3
7 0010 LOST MOMERIT 22 H Collegratios 3-8-6. V Sortins 9
8 00 DANCING MESS 35 P Height 3-8-3. A McGione 2
9 23 LITILEWICK 22 6 Waggi 3-8-3. T Sprake 1
6-4 Tabl, 3-1 Percovarious, 5-1 Com Futures, 6-1 Mesting Wish, 12-1 Littlewick, 25-1 (Baddala, 33-1 others.

3.20 FOSSE WAY CLAIMING STAKES

4-1 Gushing, 9-2 Scottish Pert, 11-2 Canadian Copers, 6-1 Time Lapse, 8-1 Dancing Beau, 10-1 Gizegow, 12-1 Legend Dolpe, 16-1 others

3.50 ERMINE STREET HANDICAP (£2,574: 1m Byd) (11)

1 -123 MA BELLA LLINA 83 (D.BF.G) J Duning 3-10-0 W Centon 3
2 5401 BERNSTEIN SETTE 15 (C.F.G.S) P Folgots 6-9-12 W Rysm 8
3 1536 COLRAGEOLIS KNOSTIT 59 (F) R Henrich 3-9-11 B Raymond 10
4 2400 SANTI SANA B2 (G) Lash Henrich 4-9-6 T Duninn 5
5 3320 SALSYNG 14 (D.B.S) J Hill. 4-9-1 R Hells 4
6 0200 CHARDISCARH 22 R Lee 4-9-8 D Chapteron 4-9-7 S Duffield 6
7 6000 RITH'S GAMBLE 10 (D.B.S) D Chapteron 4-9-7 S Wood 2
8 5202 ALMASTIC PETE 14 (CD.F.S) D Wisson 5-9-7 C G Carter 7
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10 0036 STATE OF AFFARRS 18 (D.F) C Horgan 5-7-10. Date Gibson 1
11 000 LLOYDS DREAM 21 D Store 3-7-7 Ma Balla Lies Schoon (3) 7-2 Ainscric Pass, 4-1 Abeloni, 9-2 Barnston Bella, 6-1 Ma Bella Luca, Salbyrig, 18-1 Cooragoous Kinghi, 12-1 Santi Sans, 16-1 others.

4.20 CASTLE APPRENTICE HANDICAP

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COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSERS; H Cood, 37 winners from 93 numers, 29,0%; M Stone, 25 from 102, 24,5%, 6 Wrags, 12 from 55, 21 8%, E Alston, 3 from 14, 21 4%; R Charlon, 4 from 19, 21,1%; L Comani, 6 from 31, 19 4%. OCKEYS: S Cauthen, 27 winners from 100 rides, 27 0%, L Proport, 6 from 27, 22,2%; W Carson, 26 from 162, 16,0%, T Gelan, 20 from 144, 13,5%; W Ryan, 22 from 164, 13 4%; R Hills, 13 from 99, 13,1%;

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4 500 ROMANS BRITHDON 188 (6F,F,6,5) P Hobbs 10-10-9 G Levels (7)

5 203 CHAMPAGNE RUM 4 (D,F,6) W 6 M Turner 7-10-5 N Miles (7)

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6 443- VALASSY 185 (6.5) J Edwards 9-10-5 ... 1 Memberson

7 10-P RHODE SIA-MO RED 10 (D,F.G.S) A Moore 9-10-5 . 6 Moore

8 FF-P PILEBECK DOVE 12 (6) K Beiney 7-10-3 D Tegg

9 F1-3 ARMEE DE POMME 26 (F) N TWISTER-Davies 8-10-6 ... 5 Cowfloy

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COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAMERS M Pina, 118 winners from 336 turners, 36.2%; J Edwards, 12 from 35, 34.3%; K Balley, 7 from 21, 33.3%; N Tueston-Davies, 5 from 18, 31.3%; M McCourt, 4 from 13, 30.8%; M Channon, 4 from 15, 26.7%.

JOCKEYS: P Scudemora, 93 winners from 213 rides, 43,7%; N Winkerson, 6 winners from 19 rides, 31 6%; J Lower, 10 from 34, 25,4%; 6 McCourt, 10 from 39, 25 6%; R Convexody, 13 from 56, 23,2%; N Meant, 9 from 40, 22,5%, D Bridgester, 3 from 16, 18,6%.

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(3-Y-O: £2,721: 1m 3f 183yd) (18)

1 3040 VERY ENDERT 122 B Hills, 6-7 T Outron, 8
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8 0000 JUDGE AND JURY 21 M Feberston-Godiny 8-1. S Cauthon 2
8 4 0000 High POST 43 (7) P Marie 8-7 G Carter 13
11 8000 DARASHS BOAT 25 K Morgan 8-6. J Memory (5) T
12 0044 JAJ CRE 14 B Hollinghood 8-5. W Ryant 11
14 0030 MERIA PEARL 3 (8) J Glove 8-3. W Ryant 11
14 0030 MERIA PEARL 3 (8) J Glove 8-3. W Ryant 11
16 0020 ROYAL SUNT 21 M Heaton-Rice 7-11. Data Gisson 9
17 8-00 GODO DLO SEGNES 2 M Feberson-Godiny 7-9 S Dearch 10
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MANDARIN 1.40 Fair Brother, 2.10 Black Jewel, 2.40 Badra-khanl, 3.10 Shadeux, 3.40 Celtic Diamond, 4.10 Katie's Joker, 4.40 Caribbean Prince, THUNDERER

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☐ Watering has started at Wetherby to entice the Gold Cup winner Cool Ground and Ire-land's Cahervillahow to run in the Tetley Bitter Charlie Hall Chase on Saturday.

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111cast: P1,577.13. 4.00 (1m 11 218yd) 1, KABAYIL (G Carter, 7-1), 2, Queen Léonor (S Cauthen, 11-1); 3. Hit The Fan (T Spreke, 12-1), ALSO RAN: 3 lay Alheajb (5th), 8 Rustaka, Portree (6th), lav Alhasjib (5th), 8 Rustaka, Porres (cen), 10 Tudor ksiand, 11 Kale Labelle, 12 Jazz, 16 Magadaer (sth), 20 Balzino, Whatever's Right, 33 Mortagrie, Royal Correction, 14 rain, NR, Emir Albadou, 194, VI, 194, 394, 51. P. Walwyn at Lamboum Toter \$13.00, £4.70, £2.80, £2.40, DF, £95.00, CSF, £74.67, 4 Sh 61 2vrl 1 ... BGSAW BOY (J Williams),

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4.30 (5) (2)(1), BGSAW BOY (J Williams, 5-1), 2, Linostone Boy (S Webster, 12-1); 3. Tales it in Cosh (C Rutier, 33-1); 4, Rook Opera (h Fation, 14-1), ALSO R&N 3-1); av Pherson's Dancer, 11-2 Heaven-Leigh-Grey (6th), 10 Sartiglia (5th), Miss Vanetile, 12 Gondo, hon King, Stockina, 16 Panchellia, Kaler, 20 Keightover, 25 Doesyoudoes, 33 Stormbuster, 16 nan NP, Absolution Sh hd, 11-k, nd, lai, 34, P Muschly at Bristol Tole; 59 20; 53 10, 52-50, 55 70, 54 40, DF (59) 50. CSF 266 04 Tricket; 21,701 45 Philipsoport; 2594,90. Pincapol: DE24.90.

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1.15 (2m) 1, Bardolph (*Ourn, 6-4 fax); 2,
Ouadran; 19-41; 3, Rajampour \$3-11, 9 ran,
11, 31-1, P Cole, Tote: £2.40; £1.30, £1.50,
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£6.61 12, 3min 23.24sac;
1.45 (7/) 1, Threepence; £1 Carrot, Evens,
law, Mandarm's rapi), 2, Counting Newmarket (50-1); 3, Salty's Son (3-1), 13 ran,
11-1, 19-1 Derry Tote £2.10; £1.0, £10.80,
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25.53sec 2.15 (71.140yd) 1, Merrus (D Holland, 4-1 cm; 2, Cashell (12-11) 3, Regal Aura (10-1), 11 ran NR: Raging Thunder, 3-1, 11-1, 18 Mgs. Tota, 62.30, 52.10, 122.50, 64.40, DF-113.00 CSF £46.72 Thoast £407.23, Iroin 38.77sec, Alter a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

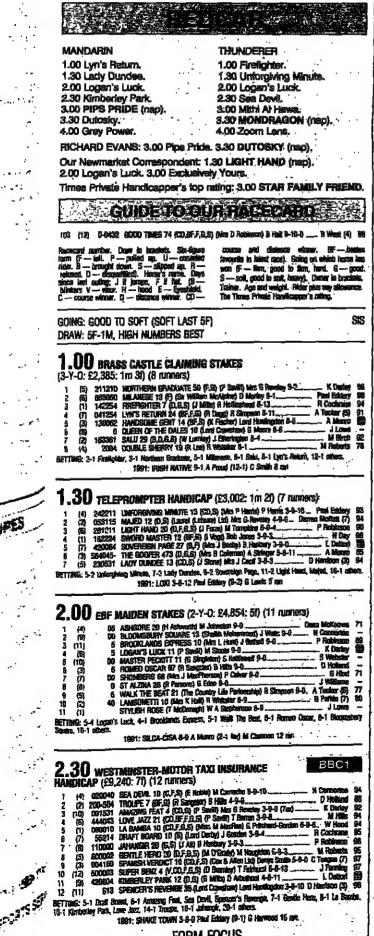
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☐ Rambo's Hall was left at the head of the weights with 9st 10lb for Saturday's

Ladbroke Autumn Handicap at Newmarket following Mellottie's withdrawal yesterday. The sponsors cut his odds to 7-1 behind Reg Akehurst's 3-1 chance Millsolin. Charlie Nelson saddled a

winner. Awesome Power, with his final runner at Lingfield yesterday before handing in his licence. The Lambourn trainer is taking a two-year break from racing and is buying a farm near Lambourn.





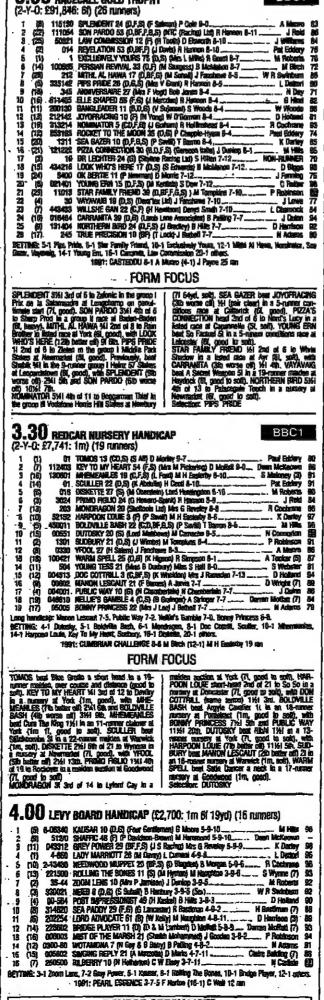
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Potteries rivals to meet in FA Cup

Draw hands Port Vale the chance to make amends

FA CUP DRAW

PIRST ROUND: Doncaster Rovers v Hartlepool United, York Cay v Stockport County,
Wigan Amierc v Carliste United, Blackpool v
Rochdale: Rotherham United v Walsali,
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Stoke City v Port Vale (November 16)
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City v Altrincham. Strevershury Town.
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AND WALTER GAMMIE

THE Potteries will be the focus of FA Cup attention when Stoke City entertain Port Vale in the first round. The draw, made yesterday, came 48 hours after Stoke prevailed 2-1 in a second-division match against their local rivals at the Victoria Ground, in front of a crowd of 24,500. Vale will aim to make

amends next month and win at Stoke for the first time in 60 years. BSkyB swiftly moved to switch the tie from November 14 for live coverage on the Monday, two days later. Kingstonian, of the Diadora

League, are at home to Peterborough United, of the first division, their first league opponents since 1933. Their manager is no stranger to giant-killing. As a player, Chris Kelly featured promi-nently in Leatherhead's Cup exploits during the 1970s. This is brilliant," he said. "It is just what we wanted, a league club at home. We have missed out on qualifying for the first round so often that people were beginning to think that we would never

"It is a great draw and will pack the place out. We have got a licence for 5,000 specta-tors but a capacity of 9,000 and will be negotiating with police to see if we can get that many in." Kingstonian are in their third season at their Kingsmeadow ground, where the facilities are excellent.

Nicky Brigden, the manager of Welling United for 12

Bank to sue

league over

TV contract

Conference side's 2-1 defeat at Kingstonian in the fourth qualifying round on Saturday when he was released after the

Greg Downs, the manager of Hereford United, will tread warily at Gander Green Lane, having been a member of the Coventry City team beaten by Sutton United in the 1989-90 competition.

Dagenham and Redbridge, of the Conference, will pack their Victoria Ground for the visit of neighbours Leyton

they will certainly know they have been in a game after coming here," Dave Andrews. the Dagenham and Redbridge joint chairman, said. Bolton Wanderers, four

times winners of the FA Cup. are at home to Sutton Coldfield Town, of the Beazer Homes League midland divi-sion, whose chairman, Tony Lockley, was delighted that his dub will be able to escape the shadow of nearby Aston Villa on a day when the Premier League will be out of action before the England match against Turkey. Yeovil Town will make their

44th appearance in the first ted, looking to add to their record 14 league scalps. Marine hope they will be granted permission to stage their home tie against Halifax Town at their Rossett Park ground in Crosby. Two years ago, they were forced to switch their match against Rochdale to Anfield. Altrincham, with league scalps, must fancy a trip to managerless Chester

Accrington Stanley and Gateshead meet in a fixture that evokes past glories in the Football League. Accrington have risen to the status of "the Manchester United of the working class". They say an advertisement for milk has rekindled interest the world

Peter Shilton, the Plymouth Argyle player-manager, will have to cope with the unfamiliar surroundings of either Farnborough Town or



Grand view: Twickenham's East Stand lower tier was unveiled yesterday by Sir Peter Yarranton, immediate past president of the RFU. It is due to be used for the first time when England play South Africa on November 14

England guard against complacency

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND'S leading administrators urged caution yesterday on any enthusiast expecting an easy victory over South Africa at Twickenham on November 14, assuming that the English stage of their tour continues after the latest statements of intent from the African National Congress in

Johannesburg.
Geoff Cooke, the England team manager, Dick Best, the coach, and Don Rutherford, the Rugby Football Union's technical director, warched South Africa lose to France in Paris last Saturday. Rutherford said: "We underestimate them at our peril.

"They are physically very strong, they have the capacity, through Naas Botha, to get the ball from one end of the field to the other very quickly. they still do basic things very can win the game, on the the England B XV to play

mistakes against them — as the French did — and suddenly the scoreline changes.
"Historically, they have nev-

er played adventurous rugby - like New Zealand. But they out-powered you. They were always larger than English players and had an immediate advantage. If England do not approach this game as though it was a world championship match, they will be in big trouble."

Cooke was more sanguine at the prospect of an England victory, though equally keen to warn against complacency when faced with a team fired by traditional pride and the final challenge after three months during which they have lost to New Zealand, Australia and France.

"I don't think.South Africa includes no i well. You only have to make evidence so far, but we could South Africa at Bristol three

days later. That side will be lose it," Cooke said. "It's no use masking the truth and pretending South Africa are announced next Monday. something they are not. They are a limited side but Twickenham will be an enormous

target for them.
"It remains a big game for England, bigger than ever now because it's not a game we can afford to lose. Having clawed our way to a leading position in the northern hemisphere, the next target is to beat the southern hemisphere

teams and South Africa is a major rugby-playing nation." The Midland Division, the first English combination to meet South Africa, have included seven Leicester players for the match at Leicester on November 4. Dean Richards captains the side, which is involved in

John Liley, Leicester's full back, has held off the challenge of Mark Mapletoft (Rugby) and Peter Shillingford (Moseley) has won the blindside flanker position ahead of John Wells, the Leicester captain Glery Pears (Northerns) tain. Gary Pearce (Northampton) has been named at tighthead prop even though he has not played for the last month. The South Africans, due to

arrive in England on Sunday, have sent for Philip Schutte, the Northern Transvaal lock, as a replacement for Adri Geldenhuys, who is returning home from France. Geldenhuys, whose punch felled Abdelatif Benazzi in the first international with France in Lyons, left the pitch in Paris on nn a broken nanc Schutte, 23, is in Tonga with

the South African development party. Although there are stand tickets left for the South African games at Leicester and against the North at Elland Road, Leeds, and a few standing tickets for the Bristol match, Twickenham's temporary capacity of 54,500 is sold out, with gate receipts of

£1,080,000 anticipated.

MIDLAND DIVISION: J Liley (Leicester), S Hactmay (Leicester), S Potter (Leicester), S Hactmay (Leicester), H Thomeycroft (Northampton); J Steele (Northampton), A Kerdoon! J Steele (Northampton), A Kerdoon! J Shiftingford (Noeeley), M Johnson (Leicester), M Beyfield (Northampton), P Shiftingford (Northampton), D Richards (Leicester), M Beyfield (Northampton), R Tebbuut. (Northampton), D Richards (Leicester), T Replanamente: F Paciman (Northampton), M Dewton (Northampton), R Cockenii (Leicester), T Reven (Rugby), S Lloyd (Moheley), P Thomas (Coverty).

Triumph for Price in Texas play-off

PGA champion, became the fourth player to earn more than \$1 million (about £620.000) in prize-money on the 1992 US golf Tour when he won the Texas Open after a play-off with Steve Elkington. Price, from Zimbabwe, and Elkington, of Australia, both

scored 263. 21 under par after four rounds on the Oak Hills course. Price won with a par at the second extra hole. The pair finished four shots clear of three Americans Dave Edwards, Corey Pavin and Jeff Maggert. Price had a final round of 66 while Elkington had a 65. (Reuter)

Mazda leave Le Mans

the Le Mans 24-hour motor racing endurance event for at least two years and step down from the leading category of the world rally champion-

ships.

The company said it had to cope with the slump in the automobile industry and a rapid increase in the costs of world-class motor sports activities. Last month, Honda said it was to suspend its participa-tion in Formula One racing.

Graham record

Rifle shooting: Caspar Graham, of Bryanston School, raised the British junior smallbore prone record for 60 shots by two points when he scored 594 out of 600 in trials at Bisley. The record replaces the 592 held by Jason Simcock, of Ellesmere

Close second

Athletics: Carl Thackery, 30. the Hallamshire Harrier, set a personal best of 2hr 12min 37sec when he finished second behind Grzegorz Gaddus, of Poland, in the Carpi Marathon in Italy. Thackery was one second behind Gaddus. RESULT: 1, G Geddus (Pol), 2x 12mir 36ecc; 2, C Thackery (GB), 2:12:37, 3, A Dehokse-Castro (Br), 2:12:52

New coach

Hockey: Pakistan have replaced the manager of their national team, which won the bronze medal at the Barcelona Olympic Games. Islahuddin. a former Olympic captain. who managed the side for four years, has been replaced by another Olympian, Khalid Mahmood.

Germany top

Tennis: The German team of Steffi Graf and Michael Stich was announced as top seed yesterday for the 1993 Hopman Cup tournament. Switzerland, represented by Jakob Hlasek and Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, is seeded No. 6 despite winning the 1992 tournament.

French canaries copy Norwich City's lead

OVERSEAS POOTBALL BY PETER ROBINSON

THE Premier League's agreement with BSkyB continues to THE FA Premier League is create waves (Peter Ball writes). The 22 clubs. Sir John not the only league in which the Canaries have made a flying start. In France. Nantes Quinton, the chairman, and the chief executive. Rick Parry. have more than matched their nicknamesakes from Norwich are being sued for £2.5 million by the Swiss Bank Corpora-City and have surprisingly tion over negotiations for the emerged to contribute to what television contract. is becoming the most fascinat-The Swiss Bank Corporaing French season in years.

After the monotony of Marseilles's reign and AS tion was briefly involved in negoriations, at one stage as potential partners in a rival Monaco's abortive attempts to bid, providing a proposed dethrone them, the rise of satellite subscription channel Paris Saint-Germain, after to run in conjunction with some shrewd summer's buying and selling, was expected - but not that of Nantes. ITV. however, showed little enthusiasm for the proposal. Threatened with relegation at and the bank was left on the the end of last season because sidelines. It is now claiming

enhanced BSkyB contract. prime candidates for the drop. Parry said yesterday: "The Yet Nantes are top. They advice from our lawyers is that already have a 1-0 win against we have a very strong defence Marseilles behind them and, to this writ and so we are on Saturday, they thrashed Montpellier, in sixth place "We will be defending it with lofty ambitions of their vigorously and believe we can own. 6-0. It was a classic

statement of intent.

Jean-Claude Suaudeau, the Ouedec (twice) all found a way

past Montpellier's defence. of financial problems and forced, as a result, to sell their leading players, they were

club's coach, who has seven players aged 23 or under in his team, has no doubts that the enforced youth policy has worked. "We're healthy and there are more of us on the hot spots," he said yesterday, "It's as simple as that. We are running so fast all over the place that the only difficult thing we have to do is to put the ball in the goal." It can't be that difficult as Loko, N'Doram (twice), Pedros and

In Italy, AC Milan, predictably, chalked up their 41st league game without defeat beating Fiorentina's record set in 1955-56 — with a 2-0 win at Parma. Such is their dominance, potential rivals for the championship are already conceding defeat. "Who can stop Milan now? The police?" GianLuca Vialli, of Juventus, asked, rhetorically, after his team did themselves no favours with a 3-1 defeat at Internazionale.

Elwood comes under scrutiny

for advancement if he can play well for Connacht against the Australians in Galway today (David Hands writes).

The Ireland selectors have left a vacancy among their replacements for the international in Dublin on Saturday and will be watching Elwood closely.

He is a member of a team that includes three international forwards, although Connacht's preparations have

FOR THE RECORD

mon., 25-20. Third division: J Hay bt C Andeson, 25-22. Doubles: First division: J Male and T Coderroll bt S Davies and A Souring, 15-5, 15-7. Second division: J Beaumont and R Temble bt R Lawson and J Acheson-Grey, 25-12. Yhlind division: M Ward and J Hey bt C Anderson and N Duzlevorth, 25-12.

WORLD CUP: Qualifiers: CONCACAF Second round: Bermuda 1, Jamaica 1.

SPEEDWAY

HOMEFIRE LEAGUE: Eastbourne 46. Arena Essar 43; Reading 51, Coverby 39.

REAL TENNIS

ERIC Elwood, the Lansdowne stand-off half, has the chance been upset by the recent resignation of George Hook, their coach.

They are not expected to overturn the touring side in the way Munster did in the last midweek game, a result serving as a warning to Australia's reserve XV.

Cameron Lillicrap, who suffered the latest in a long line of depressing injuries when he broke his thumb against Uister at the weekend, returned home yesterday. The Austra-lian prop will be replaced by

SQUASH RACKETS

AMSTERDAM: Dutch Open charsplon-ship: Quarter-Breis (English unless stat-ed): P Menthell bit D Meddings, 17-14, 15-13, 9-15, 15-7; T Neucarrow & P Whelock, 15-7, 15-17, 15-8, 15-7; C Dimmer (Aus) bit A Davies (Weller), 15-8, 15-9, 15-9; Janufrer (Yean (Pale) bit R Marran, 16-8, 15-13, 11-15, 15-12.

PRINCE BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPION-SHPS: Under-14: Sami-Smale: J Russel (Kert) to P Homesby (Lincolneline), 94, 9-1, 9-4; D Lothouse (Hertondshee) for E Bufer (Kert), 5-9, 9-6, 9-4, 9-5; First: Russell bit Lothouse, 5-9, 0-9, 9-4, 9-2, 9-2; Under-12: Plrust: J Smalth (Yorashre) bx 1. Mechants (Kent), 4-0 (relined).

CALGARY: Canadian women's open championahip. Finat. M Mantel (Aus.) bt S Wright (Eng.), 3-7, 3-3, 3-1.

STOCKHOLM: Men's indoor open tourne-ment: Singles: First round: C Bargstom (Swel) bt B Hastrals (Holl), 8-2, 6-1, 3 Tampop (LS) bt S Pescosolido (I), 2-6, 6-3, 6-1: T Woodbridge (Mas) bt 7 Hogsteck (Swel), 7-5, 6-2, A Medivedev (CSS) bt 0 Detains (Fr.), 6-3, 6-2, 1-A Warkgram (Swel) bt N Kuhl (Swel), 7-6, 3-6, 6-3.

South Africa in August and is due to join the party in Dublin

Andrew Blades, who toured in

CONNACHT: A White (St Mery's College): G Curtey (Athlone), M Cosgrave (Wanderers, capt), S Tormey (Galvegana), C Lealey (Wanderers): E Elwood (Laredowns), K Lawless (Contant): T Clancy (Jamedowns), W Mulicety (Skernes), D Henstess (Athlone), E Washe (Dolphin), T Coughian ISt Mary's College), S Jameson (St Mary's College), M Pagalithon (Shannon), M Marnion (Laredowns).

AUSTPALIANS: T Keleher, D Smith, A Herbur, R Tombs. D Junes; P Kahl, A Best; D Crowley, D Nucliona, M Hyan, M Brist, G Morgan, W Waugh, S Scott-Young, T Colear (capt).

Referee: G Simmonide (Wates).

SQUASH

PETER Marshall's progress to the semi-finals of the Dutch Open championship here con-. tains wider implications than merely recording his third opportunity so far of reaching a world tour final With Jahangir Khan certain

to fall out of the top ten rankings for the first time, Chris Robertson failing to appear here, amid rumours of serious breakdown with an arthritic hip, and Sami Elopuro losing tamely to Danny Meddings in the first round, the British champion's tenth position could improve three or four places on the new world ranking list due next

On the domestic front, beating Rodney Martin for the first time in the second round here is only part of a continuing performance of strength and tactics and has virtually ensured Marshall's inclusion among the eight players who will contest the new Super Series finals in Zurich in

January. There are four remaining Super Series events, in Kiel Karachi, Hong Kong and Qatar, which could still change the points totals that place Marshall among the qualifiers for the \$100,000 event. But Marshall's progress suggests that only injury can prevent him travelling to

Zurich_ That is not particularly good news for the English Squash Rackets Association, whose British national championships are scheduled for the same third week in January that now contains the Zurich play-offs and may thus pro-ceed without a defending champion.

"The British title is important to me," Marshall, 21, from Nottingham, said after beating Danny Meddings for his semi-final place. "But this Super Series format is the future shape of the professional game with prize money starting at \$25,000 for the winner.

The national championships are still looking for sponsorship this year, so while want to support the game in Britain and to keep my British

title, I would want to be in Zurich if I qualify." After winning the national championship last January, Marshall wants to be numbered among the world's top five players. Only Chris Dittmar, of Australia, and Jansher Khan, of Pakistan. have so far escaped his unique double-handed execution, and they are the players now standing between him and the Dutch Open title.

RESSULTS: Ouerter-finale: Jensher Khan (Pelk) bt B Martin (Aue), 15-8, 15-13, 11-15, 15-12, T Nearcarrow (Aue) bt P Whittook (Eng), 15-7, 15-17, 15-8, 15-7; P Marshall (Eng) bt D Meddings (Eng), 17-14, 15-13, 9-15, 15-7, C Dittura (Aus) bt A Dawles (Wales), 15-8, 15-9, 15-9, 15-13 ☐ Michelle Martin, of Austra-

lia, made an early claim to replacing New Zealand's retired world champion, Susan Devoy, at the head of the women's international game by defeating Sue Wright, the British champion, 9-7, 9-3, 9-1. in the 41-minute final of the women's Canadian Open championship in Calgary.

Martin was beaten three times in eight days by Devoy in the world championships in Vancouver earlier this month but, by adding the Canadian title to the Singapore and Malaysian titles won immediately before the Vancouver event, she is the natural successor to the world No. 1 position. Wright defeated Martine Le Moignan, still world No. 2 behind Devoy, in the quarter-final.

Marshall: on the rise

Marshall makes rapid strides + FROM COLIN MCQUILLAN IN AMSTERDAM

ATHLETICS CHICAGO MARATHON: Men: 1. J-C de Souza (Br), 2hr 16min 14sec, 2. I Braslawski (Ukr), 217.30; 3, E Heilybuyck (Bel), 217.55 Mormen: 1, 1, Somers (US), 237.14, 2. G Hall (US), 2:39,36, 3, K, Vateso (Fm), 1.4) 32.

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LLANDRINDOD WELLS: World Indoor championships: Welsh qualifier: Quarter-finals: C Lews (Merthy Tydfil) bt D Evane Earlawood, 7-5, 7-1, J Generosale (Cardif) bt L Termer (Fhondide, 7-4, 7-0, M Kenti (Oger, Bindgerd) bt V kingdom (Llanell), 7-, 7-3, P Folands (Cardiff) bt S Evans (Pambroleschire), 3-7, 7-0, 7-6, Semi-finals: Greenslade bt kent 7-3, 7-3, Rowtands bt Lews, 1-7, 7-1, 7-6, Final: Rowtands bt Greenslade, 7-1, 7-6

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(PSH), 185,60, uniors, J Roder, A Roder,
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CURRIE CUP: East Landon: Orange Fee Sale 422 for 9 dec. Border 259 8 Howald 57: O Henry 4 for 73, C van 2yt 3 for 28) and 147 for 4 (8 Osborne 61 not out). Port Elizabeth: Eastern Province 119 and 312 (8 Wusbels 08). O Flichardson 77: Malcolm 3 for 55), Natal 418 and 14 for no wid. Natal wort by len yieldes. won by len wickets Verwoerdburg: North-em Transvael 126 and 205 (S Jack 5 for 78). Transvael 219 and 116 for 2 (Leonard Seef 43 not out, Transveel won by 8 wids.

SAN ANTONIO: Texas: Open (US unless stated). Leading final scores: 263: N Price (2m), 97 62, 66, 65, S Brogion (Aus), 68, 65, 65, 65 (Price wor) play-off at 2nd edit notes); 267: D Edwards, 66, 65, 68, 68, 66; C Pavn, 63, 69, 97, 81; J Maggart, 67, 65, 67, 68 288; D Hammond, 69, 62, 67, 62, 269; P Strevart, 68, 65, 72, 63, 05 Bryant, 87, 65, 67, 66, M Hatasky, 71, 86, 66, 66, L Janzen, 68,

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LOS ANGELES: Senior Classic: Final scores: 195: R Fkyd, 68, 65, 62, 198: I Adv., 67, 66, 66 198: G Archer, 69, 66, 64, 200: J Dent, 69, 63, 68, 61 Thompson, 65, 67, 68, 201: G Player, 67, 65, 69, 202: S Hobdey, 69, 69, 65, D Snocken, 70, 65, 67, A Neley, 65, 67, 69, 203: A Gelberger, 69, 70, 64; R McBee, 65, 70, 57, M RI, 67, 66, 68: T Aycock, 65, 67, 70, 204: JC Sneed, 67, 67, 70, 70, 205: JC Goosse, 68, 70, 67: D Hendindson, 69, 69, 69, 69, 89, B Nichols, 89, 69, 69; L Trevitro, 57, 88, 70, B McDonough, 68, 67, 70, D Douglass, 69, 68, 71 VOLVO EUROPEAN ORDER OF MERST: I. N Feldo (Engl. E391,094, 2, 8 Larger (Gen), L287,777, 3, A Forsbrand (Swe), E397,774; J. Johnssone (Zm), 2392,257, 8, V Singh (Fili), E274,466; 9, J Spence (Engl. E363,346; 10, 1 Woosnam (Wal), E294,564, 11, J Rivero (Sp), E251,763, 12, P Senior (Las), 222,204; 13, G Brand Jir (Scot), E202,960; 14, PJJ Johnsson (Swe), E203,233, 15, V Fernander (Ang), E209,239, 16, M A Jimenez (Sol), 227,569, 17; Subs (Scot), E207, 164, 18, M Roe (Engl., E200,323, 19, V Fernander (Ang), E195,541, 20, § Richardson (Engl., E194,539).

ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: Argentinos Junors 2. Estudientes de La Plata 4: Sen
Lorenzo de Amelgro 2, independiente 1;
Lenus 2. Deportino Español 0; Talenes de
Córdoba 0. Sen Martin de Tucumán 1.
Deportino Mardin d. Recurso 0; Piatense;
1, Velez Sansteld 0; Recurso 0; Piatense;
1, Velez Sansteld 0; Recurso 0; Hustocan 1;
Germasia y Espama de La Plata 0, Fono
Cartil Cesto 0; Nevesto Old Boy 2, River
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de Amelgro, 11, 15, 3, Sen Martin de
Tucamén. 11, 15
BELGIAN LEAGUE: Carcle Bruces 2.

Tucamén. 11. 15
BELGIAN LEAGUE: Carcle Bruges 2, Standard Liego 5: Waregam 5, Germinel Bieren 1 Lokeren 2, Lommel 1; FC Liego 1, FC Bruges 0; Beveren 3, Boom 1; Racing Genk 2, Lierse 0, Anderlecht 1, AA Ghent 0; kV Mechelen 3, RSC Charleros 1, Royal Antwerp 0, RWD Molenbeok 4, Leading positions (after 11 matches); 1, Anderlecht, 13pta, 2, Standard Liège 19: 3, FC Bruges, 15.

DUTCH LEAGUE RKC Washwit 0, MAV Massncht 3, PSV Bridhoven 3, PC Groningen 0, Go Ahead Eagles Deventer 4 Fortuna Stitant 2, Cembur Leawardan 2, BW Den Bosch 1, Postporred: Rode JC Kerlende v Feyenbord, PC Volendam v Willem 8 Tiburg, Sparla Plottendam v Willem 8 Tiburg, Sparla Plottendam v Tverste Brischedu, SVVDordrecht 90 v PC Utrects, 4xx v Vitesse Amham Leading positions: 1, PSV Eindhoven, played 9, 19pls, 2, Twente Erschede, 8, 13, 3, Feyenbord, 8, 12

HEINENEN LEAGUE Premier division: Bilimpham Bornbers 5, Cardiff Devis 10; Durham Wasps 9, Humbersde Seahawiss 1, File Piyers 5, Nottingham Parthers 4, Norwich and Peterborough Prates 10, Whitley Warmors 8, Bracinell Bees 6, Durham Wasps 2; Humbersde Seahawis 5, Norwich sind Peterborough Prates 8, Murrayfield Racers 9, Nottinghem Parthers 3, Whitley Warmors 7, Cardiff Devis 11; First division; Besingstoke Besvers 7, Million Keynes Kings 4; Studyh Jets 10, Sheffield Steelers 10; Swindom Wildcass 13, Lee Valley Lons 4; Lee Valley Lons 4, Romfond Radors 12; Medway Beers 7, Swindom Wildcass 10; Maltin Keynes Kings 4, Sheffield Steelers 5; Telland Tigers 10, Slough Jets 2
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (MHL):

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (NHL): Boston Bruns 5, Vancouver Canucks 3, Calgary Rames 4, Edmonton Ollers 0; Chicago Blackhawks 8, Detroit Red Wings RACKETS

MANCHESTER GOLD WEEKEND: First division: J Male bt 7 Cockcoolt, 15-0, 15-6 Second division: R Hendman bt J Beau-

MANCHESTER GOLD WEEKEND: First division: J Male bt M Operahaw-Bower, 6-2, 8-2. Second division: I Gouty bt J Tours, 6-2. Third division: Mark McMurraph bt O Everet, 6-4. Doubles: First division: Male and Mile McMurraph or M Howard and W Warburg, 8-3. Second division: Goully and Tours bt A Smathe and R Wer, 6-1. Third division: F Myers and Mark McMurraph bt O Henman and Everett, 6-3. OVERSEAS FOOTBALL RESULTS

FRENCH LEAGUE: Naries 6, Montpeller 9: Touton 0, Pans Sant-Germain 2. Automa 0, Toutous 0, AS Montaco 2. Stressbourg 1. Marseiles 1. St. Eiranne 0. Bordeau. 3. Socriaux 0; Lyons 1, Metz 1. Le Hawe 1. Life 0. Lans 0. Coen 3. Mines 2. Vetercerves 1. Leading positions (after 12 matches): 1. Naries, 20ths: 2. Paris Seinleren, 19; 3. Automa 16. German, 19; 3. Automa 16. German, 19; 3. Automa 16. German 19; 3. Automa 17. Schelle 04. 2. Entract Frankfut 2. Sey Europe 50. Neemberg 2. Hamburger SV 1. Schelle 04. 2. Entract Frankfut 2. Beyer Leverlusen 2. FC Kaserstation 2. Kertsruher SC 3. Bayer Indingen 2. VI. Bochum 1: Bonussa Dommund 4. Bonussa Münchengladbech 1. Bayern Munch 1. Worten 1. Leading positions: 1. Bayern Munch played 10, 15th; 2. Entracht Frankfut, 10, 15: 3. Bayer Leverlusen, 11, 15, 4. Bonussa Dommand, 11, 15. 1, 4. Bonussa Dommand, 11, 15. 1, 4. Bonussa Dommand, 11, 15. 1, 15. 2. Entracht Frankfut, 10, 15: 3. Reyer Leverlusen, 11, 15, 4. Bonussa Dommand, 11, 15. 1, 15. 2. Finnerina 4. Sempdovia 0. Genea 4. Pescara 3. Internacionale 3. Juventus 1. Lazon 3. Atalanta 0. Napoli 2. AS Rimm 1. Parma 0. AC Mitan 2. Tonno 1. Udressa 0. Leading positions: 1. AC Mitan, played 6, 12pts. 2. Tonno, 7, 10; 3. Ficrograma, 7. 9. PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Setemenses 4. Pagos da Ferrera 1. Estoni 4. firsense 0. Bearaffar 1. Familicao 1. Victina Guirraffes 1. Sporting Brang 0. Desportino Chayes 1. Esportina 7. FC Pario 3. Frances 0. Gui Vicenta 1. Benfica 1: Scarsta 0.

Sporting Lisbon 0: CS Meramo 2, 5algueros 2 Leading positions: 1, FC Porto, payed 9, 15pts; 2, Belanenses, 9, 13, 3, Berifica, 8, 10. Sagueros Z. Devening positiones. 1. 12.
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5. PANISH ILEAGUE: Real Medico 2, America 80 to 0. Revo Vallecarro 2, Allékoo Madrid 0. Peal Burgos 0, Deportivo La Courta D. Sevita 1, Cáciz 0, Ceta Vigo 0. Real Oviedo 0. Ossaura 1, Espariol 3, Real Sociedod 1, Real Sociedod 1, Real Saraoca 1. Tenente 1. Logoróva 1. Sporting Gijon 1, Abacete 0; Bercelona 3, Valencia 0. Leading positions (88º elophi matches): 1, Deportivo I.a Corura, 13pts. 2. Real Madord, 11: 3, Bercelotta, 11.
WORLD CUP: Atrican zone: First round: Group A (in Bujumbura): Burund: 7, Grane 0. Group B (in Mobaches): Swegtand 1, Zere 0. Postponed: Uberia v Cameroon. Group C (in Lame). Togo 1, Egypt 4. Postponed: Angola v Zimbabwa Group D (srudohesineshug): South Antea 1, Congo 0. Group F (in Porto-Nour): Berin 0, Merceco 1; In Addis Ababa) Turisas 0, Ethopia 0. Group G (in Lame). Turisas 0, Ethopia 0. Group G (in Megulfo): Mozembaya: 1, Group C, Merceco 1; In Addis Ababa) Turisas 0, Ethopia 0. Zambia 4. Group 1 (in Bartelio): Mai 0, Kerya 3 (Idrias) CONCACAF zone. Second zone: Group B (in Herration): Berminda 1, Jamaca 1, In Sal Salvedori; El Salvedori 1, Canada 1, European zone; Group on (in Valedoni): Marco 1, Letoria 0 Latest positions: 1. Switzerland, played 3. Spits: 2, Italy. 1, 1, 3, Malia, 1, 1: 4, Portugal, 1, 1: 5, Septiend, 2, 1, 6, Estona, 2, 1

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ATP PANKING POINTS: 1, J Courier (US), 3-439 ports, 2, P Sampras (US), 3-402; 3, S Eduary (Smal, 3-982; 4, M Chang, (US), 2-470; 5, P Kords (C2), 2-161; 6, I Lend (US), 2-118, 7, G Ivanisonic (Chrosisi), 2-091, 8, A Agessi (US), 1-971; 9, W F-greens (SA), 1-763; 10, B Bocker (Ger), 1-757.

Money witners: 1, Couner, \$1,550,045; 2, Eduary, \$1,464,879, 3, Sampras, \$1,212,582, 4, Agessi, \$1,017,786; 5, Korda, \$527,253, 6, Newtyselic, \$374,586; 7, Chang, \$794,827, 8, Land, \$744,265; 9, M Sixth (Ger), \$6228,876; 10, Betcher, \$527,482. WTA RANKING POINTS: 1, M Sales (Yugo), 5.355 points: 2, Signal (Ger), 4,080; 3, G Sabatini (Arg), 3,970; 4, A Sanchez (Vicanio Sp.), 3,995; 5, M J Fernandez (US), 2,645; 6, M Neuralilone (US), 2,023; 7, C Martingz (Sp.), 1,918; 8, M Malesra-Fragment (Switz), 1,435; 9, J Novolna (C2), 1,403; 10, N Tauziet (Fr), 1,370.

Money winners: 1, Seles \$1,802.352 2 Graf \$1,257,138, 3, Sanchez Vicano \$1,119.405, 4, Sabann \$887,055; 5, N Zueres (CS) \$550.994; 6, M J Fernandez \$545,406; 7, Navranicua (US) \$512,482, 8, Novolna (C2) \$437,194; 9, G Fernandez (US) \$401,137, 10, Martinez, \$382,418. YACHTING

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10.00 News and weather (1653073) 10.05 Playdays (s) (7117263)
10.30 Good Morning...with Anne and Nick. Weekday family magazine senes (77550824)
12.15 Pebble Mill. Judi Spiers's guest is actress Maureen Lipman (s) (2353832) 12.55 Regional News and weether (53331824)
1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Westher (81534)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (e) (80531911) 1.50 Goting For Gold. General knowledge quiz. The question-master is the debonair Henry Kelly (s) (80542027) in Ta

Henry Kelly (s) (80542027)

2.15 Racing From Redcar: Live coverage of the 2.30, 3.00 and 3.30 races (s) (172621)

3.50 Harum Scarum. Picture stories (s) (2303553) 4.00 Funnybones.

Animation (s) (7269756) 4.05 Spacevets, Science fiction comedy series (2367534) 4.20 The Chipmunics (f) (2388027) 4.35 Hartbest. Better picture making. (Certax) (s) (7064737) 5.00 Newsround (5068244) 5.10 Byker Grova. (Certax) (2247319) 5.35 Neighbours (f). (Certax) (s) (473263) 6.00 Sbt O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Chris Lowe. (Certax) Wasther (824)

Weather (824)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (176). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Telly Addicts. Telsvision trivia quiz show (a) (9244)
7.30 EastEnders. (Cestad) (s) (260)
8.00 Citizen Smith. John Sulfivan's classic corredy series staming

Robert Lindsay (r). (Ceefex) (8992) 8.30 A Question of Sport. The start of the 23rd year of the popular quiz game presented by David Coleman, Ian Botham's team is Stuart Pearce and Chris Boardman, Bill Beaumont is supported by Chris Lawls and Tessa Sanderson. (Cested) (7027) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Cested) Regional news

and weather (8640) 9.30 Chyries. The concluding episode of Lynde La Plante's drama series. (Ceefax) (a) (705534). Wates: Week in Week Out 10.00

10.25 Omnibus: Avigdor Arlicha.

● CHOICE: The painter Avigdor Arlicha, German-Romanian, by • CHOICE: The painter Avigdor Arikha, German-Fornanian by birth, Israell by upbringing and long based in Paris, proves an admirable subject for an Ornzibus profile. The life has been eventibut, including a spell in a Nazz concentration camp as a boy and five years on a kibbutz in what used to be Palestine. The artistic career has moved form abstracts to painting from life, with an eight-year gap when he painting nothing and immersed himself in the work of other artists. His knowledge of an history enables him to talk literatured about a set him. illuminatingly about such influences as Mondrian and Cézanna. He offers a memoir of Samuel Beckett and persuades Henri Cartler-Bresson to make a rare television appearance. Afficha is modest and unpretentious and old-fashioned enough to believe that art should first of all delight the eye. (Ceelad) (a) (480973). Northern Ireland: Go For it 10.55. Country Times; Wales: 10.55 Country Times;



Mother's boy: motel proprietor Anthony Parkins (11.15pm)

11.15 Film: Psycho (1960, b/W).

 CHOICE: Altred Hitchcock insisted that Psycho should be taken
with longue in cheek, though a story based on the brutal slaying of a wornan in a shower seems hardly a laughing matter. Yet there is an element of playfulness about the film, in the use of horror cliches such as the old dark house and in the hoary device of wheeling on a psychiatriat to explain the killer's mind. All the same Psycho is more frightening then funny and even with several viewings it retains its power to shock. Above all it is a superb piece of filmmaking, which constantly manipulates and teases the audience. Even the shower scene is a tease, since the violence is implied and never shown. For rewcomers to the plot, Janet Leigh checks in at a motal and wishes she hadn't and the late Anthony Perkins plays an odd cove with a mother fixation. (Caefar) (123447). Northern Iraland: 11.20 Omnibus 12.10-1.55 Film: Psycho; Wales: 11.45 Film: Psycho 1.30 News and weather 1.00cm Weather (3299848). Ends at 1.05 BBC Select Executive Business Club, Scrembled (271393).

2.15 BBC S Ends at 3.15 BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (4891553) 8.15 Westminster. A round-up of business from both Houses (4185282) 9.00 Holiday Outlings. Earnorm Holmes takes a caravan holiday a Hadderston Castle on Northumberland's Hentage Coast (r)

9.00 Daythne On Two. Educational programmes 2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me. For intants (r) (23710621) 2.15 Canvas. A discussion on the celebrated and war painting by W.F. Yearnes And When Did You Last See Your Father?

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(i) (32654447) 2.30 See Heart Magazine series for the hearing impaired. Includes Jack Ashley on what is being planned for television during Deal Awareness Week (r) (737)

News and weather (8913805) 3.05 Westpainster Live. John Cole and Ian. Macwhitter introduce coverage of prome minister's questions (7213447) 3.50 News (Ceefad), regional news and weather (2301195). 3.00 News and wea

4.00 Catche ord. Paul Cola with another round of the computer word game (s) (319) 4.30 World Scrabble

game (s) (319)
4.30 World Scrabble Chempionships Highlights from the final rounds of last yeer's event, introduced by Alen Coren (r) (973)
5.00 Play Snooker. The first of six masterclesses given by former world champion Dennis Teylor (r) (6850)
5.30 Plan 92 Writh Barry Norman. Among the film's reviewed are Glengarry Glen Ross. Unlawful Entry and Man Pére Ce Héros (r) (s) (553)

8.00 Food and Drink presented by Chris Kelly. Michael Barry, Jill Gooklen and Oz Clarke, Includes an investigation into the claim that eating red meat leads to colon cancer; a recipe for a spicy chicken curry with a Thai influence; and a look at the reasons why some wines improve with age while others are best drunk when young (s)

tion Now. To Be, the story of an eccentric professor who invents a machine for duplicating people (989060)

6.40 Assignment: Weathering the Storm. Errily Buchanan tours
Zimbabwe with President Nugabe as the country is in the throes of
the worst drought for 100 years and the economy in ruins (572350)



Conducting his birthday celebration: Georg Solti (7.25pm)

7.25 Otalio, From the Royal Opera House James Naughtie introduces a soutiato, From the Holyair Opera House James Natignie introduces a special live performance of Vardi's opera to calebrate the conductor Sir Georg Solti's eightleith birthday, in the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales. Placido Domingo sings the title role with Kin Te Kanawa as Desdemona and Sergal Leiferkus making his debut in the role of lago. In Italian with English subtities. The event is also in aid of the Musicians' Benevolent Fund and the Royal Opera House Trust. During the interval, between 8.40 and 9.10 Sir Georg Solti falks to Jeremy lesacs about his long and distinguished career (72568806).

NB: As the opera is live the following programme times may be aubject to change 10.30 Newsnight with Sue Cameron (910824)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (613669)
11.55 Live at Brecon, Series of highlights from this year's Brecon Jazz Fastival. Tonight former Blington trumpater Clark Terry leads an allster line-up (236669) 12.35em Weather (6756664)

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6.00 TV-am (6507602) 6.00 TV-am (6507602)
9.25 Keynobes. Music game show hosted by Alistair Divall (1519621)
9.55 Thurnes News (7:269:1)
10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Topical discussion series (8433911)
10.35 This Morning Magazine series (26292911)
12.10 Playbox: Early Islaming series (1) (7670244)
12.20 Lunchtime News. (Oracle) Weather (6361911) 1.05 Thurnes
News (88106224)

1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial (Oracle) (485176)

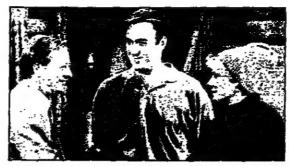
1.45 A Country Practice Medical drams (s) (484447)
2.15 Heirloom. The first of a new series of the artiques show, presented

2.15 Helricom. The first of a new series of the artiques show, presented by John Bly. This week's guest valuer is porcelain expert Henry Sandon (409756) 2.45 Families (s) (6132176)
3.10 ITN News headlines (8924911) 3.15 Thames News headlines (8923262) 3.20 The Young Doctors (4523447)
3.50 Fraggle Rock. Puppet senes (r) (6349027) 4.05 The Raggy Dolls (s) (7244447) 4.15 Take Off with T-Bag. Drama series staming Georgina Hale (1773263) 4.40 Children's Ward. Episode three of a ten-part drama set in a general hospital. (Oracle) (s) (3331911)
5.10 Blockhwisters. Georgial knowledge due cappe (4109244)

5.10 Blockbusters: General knowledge quiz game (1109244) 5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (620244)

5.55 Thames Help (1) [969911] 8.00 Home and Away (1). (Oracle) (992) 6.30 Thames News (244) 7.00 Emmerciale. Soap set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle) (7640)
7.30 Cook Report Special. Roger Cook, in Yugoslavia, accuses

parametrary leader of communing atrocties (756) 8.00 The SML Reasonable Grounds. A well-known burglar provides the Sun Hill force with the link between a missing seven-year-old and a man who keeps running away from officers for no apparent reason.



Blind date: Brooke-Taylor, McGann and Weston (8.30pm)

8.36 The Upper Hend. Comedy senes about a footballer-turned-housekeeper to a businesswoman Staring Joe McGann, Diana Weston, Honor Blackman and, this week Tim Brooke-Taylor (s)

9.00 Boon. Comedy drama series starring Michael Elphick as a Miclands-based private detective. Tonight he and his partner Harry (David Daker) are given the job of guarding a supposedly haunted manor house. (Cracle) (s) (7621)
10.00 News at Terr. (Oracle) Weather (16008) 10.30 Thames News

(580282)10.40 The Kennedys: We Are All Mortal.

CHOICE: The third instalment of the Kennedy sags covers the presidency of Jack from the Bay of Pigs Invasion to assassination in Dallas. As before, the programme is a skillful bland of archive film and interviews, fluently edited and consistently watchable. That being sald much of the material is familiar and the judgment is the conventional one that the Kennedy presidency was stronger on style than substance. Kennedy may have done well to autricate himself from the Cuban missile crisis, which was largely of his own making, but he prevaricated on civil rights and did much to plunge the United States into the morass of Vietnam. On most of the big issues the more impressive figure seems to have been brother Bobby. As to JFK's womanising, an aide is admirably pitry: "In that tamily there was no tradition of monogamy". (Oracle) (732973)

12.30em Video View. A Hallowe'en special (85374)
1.30 The Equalizer. McCall helps a psychic whose visions of a serial killer includes herself as one of the victims (89409)

2.30 Donahue. Phil Donahue's guests are women who have dumped their husbands and lived to regret it (5862521)

3.20 60 Minutes. American news magazine (7649916) 4.10 The Twilight Zone: Healer. A tale of the supernatural starring Eric

Auto The Twingth Zone: Pleaser. A late of the superhalural starring End Bogosian and Vincent Gardenia (24094157) 4.40 Short Story Theatre: Luke Was There. A ghetto boy, feeling sorry for himself, drifts into a life of crime. Starring Scott Balo (r) (3965995) 5.30 ITN Morning News (64157). Ends at 6.00

SKY MOVIES GOLD

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.15pm Charry Segmes of Winder (1979): John Heard tree to wan back priftiend Mary Beth Hurl (83771350) 8.00 Rocky II (1979): Sylvaster Smillione steps back who the boking ring (65981) 10.00 The Adventures of Buckeroo Bensal Across the Eighth Dimension (1984) Peur Weler delients the earth 179550, Ends at 11.45

bethends manne animels (536553) 10.15 Titumic (1953): Story of the martine disaster. With Berbare Stanwyck (523089) 12.15pm Buffalo Bill (1944). Joel McCree

12.15pm Burraco Issii (1942). Joer McCrea stars as Wilsam Cody (192008) 2.15 Abbott and Costatio filest the Keystone Cape (1954) The come duo take over a rundown film studio (195244) 4.15 Tadpole and the Whale (as 8,15cm)

(939e35)
6.15 Godspelf (1973): Musical version of the gospel of St Matthew, enacted by hippest on the sneets of New York (75379008)
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10.15 Wild at Heart (1980); David Lynch's load move staring Nicolas Cage and Laura. Dem (5895992)

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3.55 The Gold and the Glory (1983); Two Queenslanders, enter a oposing maretino (14885312); Ends at 8.00

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SKY SPORTS

CHANNEL 4

8.00 Cartoons (22466)

7.00 The Big Breakfast presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Rosin (21535) 9.00 You Bet Your Life American game show presented by Bill Cosby

(9) (26485) 9.30 Schools (557398)

12.00 The Parliament Programme Anne Perkins with news from both

Houses (83391)

12.30 Sessins Street. Pre-school learning series (34718)

1.30 Take 5 Children's entertainment (52398)

2.00 Film: Comrade X (1940, b/w) starring Clark Gable and Hedy

Lamer. Satincal romantic cornedy about an American newspaperman who is blackmailed by a Russian tram driver to smuggle his daughter out of the country — against her will. Directed by King Vidor (290466)

3.40 The Three Stooges in No Census, No Feeling (1940, b/w)

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4.00 Femily Pride. Soap about a Midlands-based Asian family (a) (485)
4.30 Fifteen To One. Fast-moving knock-out general knowledge quiz game presented by William G. Stewart (669)
5.00 Crawshaw Paints Olls. In the first of a new eight-part senes in

which Alwyn Crawshaw, in the West Country, introduces viewers to painting in oils (2718) 5.30 If Wishes Were Horses The second in the series follows the

young equestrians as they learn how to lunge — with varying degrees of success (a) (621) 6.00 Remote Control. Cornedy quiz show presented by Arithony

H. Wilson (Teletext) (534)

6.30 Roseanne. Wisecracking humour from Roseanne Arnold and John Goodman (r). (Teletext) (114) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (209404)

7.50 Comment. Nigel Spivey bemoans the fact that swear words are becoming acceptable in the media (211466)

8.00 Follow That Tiger. A Survival documentary following two men's efforts to ensure the survival of one of the last remaining tigers in Nepal's Chtawan National Park. (Teletext) (1602)

8.30 Show Down at Glastonbury. The first of a four-part series about life in the village of Priton where every year local farmer Michael Eavis plays host to the Glastonbury Festival which attracts 100,000

people (1927) 9.00 Without Wells.

OCHOICE: The American water Howard Schuman's attempt to establish the homosexuality of D.H. Lawrence has greater justification than similar exercises performed in this slot on Shakespeare and Michelangelo. For one thing the evidence is more plausible, for another the presence of at least a homosexual strain in Lawrence may help to a fuller appreciation of his work. The recent referse of an incompression of the production of the production. se of an unexpurgated edition of Women in Love is the cue for a wide-ranging debate to which a surprising contributor is Quantin Chap. None of which would appear to have the slightest connection with the other Without Walls item, a celebration of the E-Type Jaguar. On the contrary, the car is praised both as a writing symbol and for its sleek and graceful feminimity. Like D.H. Lawrence, if you believe Schuman, the E-Type is bisexual (5263)



No deal: jazz club owner Sting refuses to vacate (10.00pm)

10.00 Film on Four: Stormy Monday (1988) starring Melanie Griffith, Sting and Sean Bean. Stylish romantic thriller set on Tyneside where an American businessman tries to muscle in on the premises of a jazz club in order to make a fortune in a fucrative property deal.

Directed by Mike Figgis. (Ceefax) (s) (514640) 11.40 Four-Mations: Sound. Three short animations — The Sandman, Pink Komkommer and Begone Dull Care (226262) 12.20em The Two Lives Of Mattia Pascal. The fipal episode of the

Italian drama serial stamng Marcello Mastrolanni. English subtitles (4111041)

1.35 Film: The Brain Machine (1955, b/w) starring Elizabeth Allan and Maxwell Read. B-movie thriller about a psychiatrist who is kidnapped by an amoral killer. Directed by Ken Hughes (8556515).

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6.95am Weather
7.00 On Air, presented by Andrew MacGregor. Including Weber (Overture, Oberon); Ame (Symphorny No 1 in C); Delius (Concerts for violin and cello)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Bruckner. Vexilis regis (Bavaria Radio Chorus under Eugen Jochum); Prelude and Fugue in C minor; Prelude in C, Perg (Erwin Horn, crosn);

(Erwin Horn, organ); Symphony No 3 in D minor (Frankfurt Radio SO under Ellahu Inbal); Locus ista (Bavarian Radio Chorus under

Peasant: Slovak PO under Stephen Gurtzenhauser); Schubert (Imprompte in Fminor, D 935 No 4: Metvyn Tan, fortepiano); Villam Figus-Bystry (Holze, boze: Slovak Phihammonic Cholt under Pavol Prochazka); Martinu (Variations on a Stovak Folksong: Marek Jerfe, cello, Ivan Klansky, piano); Janišček (Andante, Danube Symphony; Slovak PO under Liftor Peaek); Hummet (Octet-Partita in E flet: Chamber Orchestra of Europe Wind Solvists); Bartók (Slovak Folk Song No 2, 44 Duets:

Folk Song No 2, 44 Duets: Sandor Vegh and Alberto Lysy, violins); Suchon (Katrena's Aria, The Whirlpoot: Bratislava

Radio SO under Ondrej Lenard, with Gabriela

12.00 Peter Philips: Red Byrd, and Paul Nicholson, harpsichord.

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1.00pm News 1.05 BBC Scottish SO under Jin

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nackova-Capova, soprano); Suchon (Meternorphoses: Bratistava Radio SO)

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start at 9.10 • CHOICE: in his interval chat

e CHOICE: In his Interval chat with Solit, Jereny Isaace inghtly establishes the "homecoming" nature of the occasion. Solit was Covent Gerden's musical director for ten memorable years, until 1969. Is there, perhaps, a touch of teles-majester about leases's saying to Solit that some people listening to the interview might sometimes wonder if he is speaking in English or Hungarian? Solit-takes it all in good part. He is equally good-matured when

sourally good-ratured when saled an "undiplomatic" question about the relative quisities of Domingo's Otelio

performs Tartiniana Seconda

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Bech (Brandsriburg Concerto No 6 in 8 flat: The English Concert under Trevor Primock) 12.38-12.35am News

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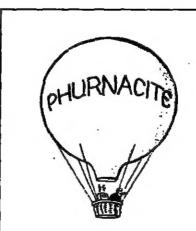
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4.30 Staride by Stride: In the first of time programmes, Raiph Sution, the 69-year-old American planist, talks about Fais Waller and encounters with Jack Teagarden. Wild Bill Davison and Sidney Bechet

5.00 In Tune, with Natalis Wheen

7.25 Otellio: Sir Georg Sotti conducts Verdi's opera in a five transmission — broadcast simultaneously with BBC2 — from Covent Garden. The cast is headed by Placido Domingo, Kin Te Kanewa, Sergel Leiterlaus, Robin Leggate and Claire Powell.

Acts 1 and 2. Acts 3 and 4 start at 9.10

12.00 You and Yours, wor Hosen
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Chaits the musical panel
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true event: Just when you-thought it was safe to order a tolu casserole . . With David Strauss (s)
2.30 Mixtored in Music: Andrew

10.45 Night Waves discusses the role of women in opens; Donna Tarit talks about her first novel, The Secret History; and there is a first night fevery of Tara Arts production of Here Ranjha of Britain (s)
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army of afternoon listeners will feel a distinct chill coming out of their radio sets at 4.45 every day this Hallowe'en week. It is convenient to categorise A.L. Barker's five tales as ghost stories but, as the weel progresses, a more subtle truth emerges about this collection of yams, just published in paperback as Beneral of Doubt. Barker's

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ENGLAND TAKE CAUTIOUS

TUESDAY OCTOBER 27 1992

ANC backs protest over township failures

S Africa's rugby tours threatened by loss of support

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

tionship with South Africa, heightened over the decade of isolation, has returned to haunt it. Just when South Africa has re-entered international sport on so many fronts. ultimately to the 1995 World

Cup — emerged yesterday.
The African National Congress (ANC), the power-broker in supporting South Africa's re-entry over the past year to cricket, athletics, football, as well as rugby union, came out in support of the stand taken and Olympic Sports Congress (NOSC). Mluieki George, the organisation withdrew support from all rugby tours to and from South Africa, and

from the World Cup. South African rugby's failure to implement development schemes in the townships had made it necessary to introduce a "correctional measure", George said yesterday. Speaking at the official welcome to the Indian cricket party in Johannesburg. George said he would disclose more at the United Nations' special commission on apartheid in New York later this week. In contrast to cricket, the South African rugby authorities, he alleged, had failed to

keep their promises. We have waited and given them their chance but so far othing has still happened." He said the non-white game was dying in the Cape, where once it had been so strong. Another fault was that they

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with apartheid, such as the bined with ANC support.

open the way for political protest on the present South African rugby tour of France and England. The team has two more matches to play in France this week, in Tours and Lille, before arriving on Sunday in England.

Even though Rugby Foot-ball Union (RFU) officials, who have been in frequent contact with the London mission of the ANC, played down the threat, they must be concerned. "We have had no official notification of any change in support." Dudley Wood, the RFU secretary, said yesterday. It is South Africa's first tour of England in 22

Jacky Abrahams, the South Africans' assistant tour manager, said in Tours yesterday: "I am torn between my people and rugby ... I believe that rugby is genuinely making efforts to unite and all these are the pains of unity. From a rugby point of view I believe the tour to England must go on. At the same time, I hope that the development programmes in the poor areas, black and coloured, will be brought forward."

The failure of the multiracial South African Rugby Football Union (SARFU), not yet a year old, to create an instant development programme for township rugby has sparked the NOSC statement, although George left the door ajar. "We are not unreasonable," he said.

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By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

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involved in a vibrant developement programme." Steve Tshwere, the ANC standpoint is to rally behind the NOSC. They are close to the situation and they are expressing the gut feeling of black rugby enthusiasts. We know promises were made and not a single one of them honoured by the SARFU."

Yesterday, however, the SARFU produced a hardhitting response, denying that it had given priority to international tours at the expense of We are not prepared to indulge in a cosmetic development programme just to please any individual who wishes to capitalise politically therefrom," a statement from Cape Town said.

'NOSC's withdrawal of its support of the current rugby tour to France and England, and of the 1995 Rugby World Cup, is a blatant breaking of

SARFU emphasised that the tours so far arranged had television had permitted it to million) for the purpose and it had set about restructuring domestic competitions for

SARFU has appointed its country: in the Western Province and Cape areas there is widespread enthusiasm for rugby among the coloured in Wales next month before finding that the necessary funds were not available. Inland the greater enthusiasm is for football and boxing.

The latest polemical round must discourage the Interna-tional Rugby Football Board, which awarded the 1995 World Cup to South Africa earlier this year. Keith Row-lands, the IRFB secretary, said: "We would be concerned at any statement that would affect the location of the 1995 World Cup and we will be considering the issue of location on an ongoing basis every six months."

Indians welcomed, page 36 England wary, page 38

England tour opposed

By Peter Bills

ANTI-APARTHEID officials in London last night called on the Rugby Football Union (RFU) to cancel the South African rugby tour due to start

Mike Terry, secretary of the Anti-apartheid Movement, said that if the tour proceeded he expected some form of official protest before the England-South Africa match at Twickenham on November 14. "We would like to see the government and the Rugby Union act decisively to call off this tour," Terry said.

"The British government were quick to follow the ANC's. appeal when it came to cricket. I hope they will be as quick to listen to what the ANC has to say now on rugby and stop the tour going ahead.

"We feel the tour would do irreparable harm. It is clear that rugby in South Africa is just exploiting this situation simply for international tours. This is being presented as a return of the Springboks and in current circumstances it [the tour is in clear breach of the

Gleneagles Agreement." Peter Hain, the Labour MP for Neath, said: "I will support a campaign against the tour. I am also concerned about the fact that President de Klerk intends to be at Twickenham. find that outrageously provocative given the way his government is behaving."



Treasure trove: Lord Burghersh watches over (left to right): Back row: Woodmen of Arden Silver Arrow (archery): Queen's Cap (taring): Whitbread round the world trophy (sailing); Wimbledon men's singles trophy, Renshaw Cap (tennis); marble eagle (filtler's prise, swimming); Hales Trophy. Front row: Wimbledon women's singles winner's plate; Lonsdale helt (buring).

Wealth of glittering sporting prizes

month in the biggest exhibition of sporting silverware in the world. Called Sporting Glory, the exhibition, which run for three months Victoria and Albert Museum, will feature 500 national trophies begged and borrowed from national federations and

From the biggest, the eight-Ashes urn; from the oldest, a shooting trophy dating back

associations, from private col-

lections and from the mantelpieces of champions who have

ong since forgotten their day

Andrew Longmore views the splendours

in store for visitors to an exhibition

of sporting trophies that opens in London

George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes; from the famous silver plate pregles champion at Wimbledon to the Woolwich District Elementary Schools FA challenge shield, made of tin, each trophy has a story to tell worth far more in sum than the £10 million estimated by

"The idea came from a feet high Eglinton Trophy for dozen photographs of an ing trophies held in 1933," Lord Burghersh, the chairto 1587, to the newest, the man of the exhibition's cup which will be presented to organising committee and a the winner of next year's King one-time member of Great

Britain's bobsleigh team,

small boy looking at a huge trophy. He had a gliminer i his eye and I thought: Well, maybe he will be inspired to win something in the future. That's where it all began." With the sponsorship of

team of ten to collect and sift through 2,000 trophies. The most ancient trophy was selected from each sport, but further research produced plenty of individual gems. There was no finer nor Cup for rowing the Arthur

ed triumph of a Gennan 100pionships in Magdeburg, but

allowed out of the MCC museum for only the second time in kistory, the Hales Trophy for the Blue Riband of the Affantic, presented by Harold Hales MP in 1838 for the fastest transatiantic crossing, has travelled from

the United States. won by England in 1966, is going to be on display, too, alongside the FA Cup, the Calcutta Cup, the Pineapple

football and the House Gup for the inter-bouse field

and light to create atmophere." Burghersh said. won by one Digger Stanley has so far chaled all detective work, but he hopes that the the discovery of other long lost trophies and, just per-

haps, put a champion's glint into the eye of another small

child

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Roeder given task of reviving Gillingham

GLENN Roeder dropped the idea of becoming Paul Gascoigne's Italian minder in the hope of pursuing a career in management this summer and the gamble paid dividends yesterday when Roeder, 36, was appointed manager of the third division team, Gillingham.

Presently propping up the League, Gillingham, who dis-missed Damien Richardson two weeks ago, represent a real challenge for the former Queens Park Rangers, New-castle United, Watford and Leyton Orient defender. Ian Atkins, the Bir-

mingham City assistant manand former Birmingham, Sunderland, Everton and Ipswich Town defender, is favourite to replace John Beck, who was dismissed last week, in charge of Cambridge United.

But Terry Butcher, attempting to revive his playing career at Sunderland, and Kevin Ratcliffe, the Eventon central defender, are also understood to be interested. Officials from the Football

League and Professional Foot-

ballers' Association were locked in talks with Stan Flashman, the Barnet chairman, and Barry Fry, the third division club's manager, last night. The meeting, which began

yesterday afternoon, had been convened in an attempt to resolve the method in which the Barnet players are paid, a subject which has been a source of discord at Underhill.

Swindon host entertainers

By LOUISE TAYLOR

Olney, their record £700.000 IF THERE was an award for striker and have doubts about football's entertainer of the year Swindon Town and Oldthe fitness of Gunnar Halle. hain Athletic would be strong their Norwegian international contenders. They meet at the County Ground in tonight's Two more of the country's outstanding Coca-Cola Cup third round fixture which pits brightest young managers meet at Sheffield Wednesday two of England's most creative

where Trevor Francis faces managers against each other. Brian Little and Leicester City. Yet while Glenn Hoddle, Mark Bright, with five goals the player-manager of Swin-don, of the first division, and in his last six matches, plays in the Wednesday attack against Joe Royle, in charge of Oldthe side with whom he began ham, of the Premier League. his career. With Warhurst have much in common they ruled out and Hirst, Jemson and Watson all doubtful, also differ in several respects. Francis could swap his man-Adhering to the philosophy that attack is the best form of ager's suit for a Wednesday defence. Royle's frequently cavalier Oldham sometimes strip and start his first match since September. operate with only three de-fenders, while Hoddle prefers

Portsmouth, FA Cup semifinalists last spring, aim to see off Ipswich Town, of the Premier League, on what promises to be an entertaining evening at Fratton Park One

of the more interesting duels on the south coast could be that between Phil Whlean, Inswich's central defender and an accountancy student at the University of East Anglia, and Guy Whittingham, the Portsmouth centre half who bought himself out of the army and has scored 16 goals

this season. The greatest potential for giant-killing — bearing in mind that in this round ties are reduced from two-legs to a a one-off match — is at Gigg Lane where Bury, of the third division; aim to shake up Queens Park Rangers. Leeds United, who face

Rangers at Elland Road in the European Cup next week, aim to collect their first clean sheet of the season, at Scunthorpe United in a delayed second round fixture which Leeds lead 4-1 from the first leg.

Jeffes claims second place

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL IN RIO DE JANEIRO

global chess game," Jeffes

Both skippers had some

scathing words to say about the weather fax equipment.

which failed to work on any of

the yachts. "The pictures were

unusable," Tudor said. "In-

stead, we based all our tactical

decisions on the information

sent to us over the satellite link

Chay Blyth, the race chair-

man, yesterday refused re-

quests from one sponsor to

have the results of this first leg made null and void because of

"That's not possible," he

said. "This is a test of human

initiative. Dealing with equip-

ment, functioning or not, is an

integral part of the challenge.

It is unfortunate that this

equipment has not lived up to

expectations and we will be

replacing it all before the next

finishing with all his equip-ment almost intact was Rob

Haine. He lost the tip of his

One crewman thankful for

from race headquarters."

these failures.

PAUL Jeffes and Interspray crew sailed into Rio de Janeiro in the early hours vesterday to take second place overall on the first stage of the British Steel Challenge from

Finishing ten hours behind Richard Tudor's British Steel II. Jeffes said: "It has been a fantastic race and at times we were even in sight of each other. We took the lead off Lisbon and held it until close to the equator and then fought back to within 20 miles of British Steel off Recife.

"But then we hit a brick wall twice on the run down the coast. One day we averaged only four-and-a-half knots and six knots on another and it was then that the British Steel crew pulled 90 miles ahead."

With the third-placed yacht, Heath Insured, expected late last night, both Jeffes and Tudor commended the closeness of this race. "Having the positions of all the yachts every 12 hours made the race much more interesting. It became a

thumb while releasing British Steel's spinnaker shortly before crossing the equator. "I was tying a bowline and had my thumb inside the knot just as the load came on," he said. "Two seconds either way and I would have been

to build patiently from a five man backline built on his

Oldham will be without Ian

trademark sweeper system.

His skipper, Richard Tudor. said: "He was very lucky not to lose the whole of his thumb. The two medics on board gave him immediate first aid and we had advice over the radio from the doctors within the fleet. Later, we found the tip of his thumb still embedded in the knot and had a little ceremony before burying it at

RESULTS: Stage one (Southampton to Ric de Janetro): 1, British Steel II (R Tudon), 29 days 21r 38min; 2, Intersprey (P Jeffes), 29:12-27 Caye 2r 30mm; 2, transprey (P Jeres), 29:12:27.

Other positions (at 140) GMT yesterday, with miles to Rio de Janetro); 3, Heath Insured (A Donovari), 32 miles; 4, Group 4 Securias (M Golding), 265m; 5, Hobrau Lager (P Goss), 277m; 6, Price of Teesside (I MacGilleray), 225m; 7, Nuclear Electric (J. Chitanderi), 232m; 8, Fibros-Poulera; (J. O'Driscoll), 338m; 9, Coopers & Lybrard (V Cherry), 371m; 10, Consmercial Linion (W. Sufferingol., 1197m;

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